Outworn in dust along the roads of space,

Blown by the breath of chaos. When this plan,

This present firmament, vision and light,

Princes of heaven, dominions, powers, are past,

I shall remain about the eternal throne Veiling the thoughts of God. Leave him with me,

Ye younger spirits ; such silence is too old

For your bright souls to bear. Leave me my dead.

(The angels of Light and Dreams take flight. The angel of Darkness covers Moses with his wings.)

The dead are mine. Swift they come down to me.

The little life they suffer, their frail dream

Is past. Here is no memory, here no hope,

No reason, no despair nor happiness.

Only the dust and I. It is His will.

Voices of Israel-Who now shall stand between us and our God?