

Computers know you

Computers know you better than you know yourself
Cookies communicate with unknown observers
Convert what catches your interest into data
Programs calculate their predictions of what you want
Defining standardizing the patterns of your habitual interests

The chance of your entering a church say
Your Google program can calculate better than you
With information like where when special activities
Special interests special needs holy sacraments
Too much trouble to leave the house? in five simple clicks
Go to church on the web preparation
Confession penance absolution exit
Intentions to accompany movie show times headlines loan rates
Shopping with no trying on poetry of anticipation
Eye alone promising the rest of the body future pleasure

Christ moves from fingertips to screen in seven strokes
Back inside through the eyes are you there
Are you there are you there are you
Seven strokes seven beats seven miracles
The book at the end of the world has seven seals

With twenty-four strokes Christ's Sacred Heart appears on screen
Animated heart beating virtually and the host
Germinates in every cell seedlings grow
Tendrils wrap around muscle fiber bodies sprouting
With blooms cherry elder ash maple lavender quince
Mango hearts guavas cashew berries passion fruit one and all
Tangerines mandarins Hesperides' Golden Apples
Waiting for a hero to peel away the skin and risk her sentence in

Hades one seed one month peels fall to earth and rot

Nourishing seeds fruit for every heart

Lychee anise sesame bamboo heart

Four elements forming a world again

Coriander chili ginger and so it goes with every finger tap

Consequences corollaries earth compressed

Into the flash of a synapse and still there is germination

Through love through habit through flesh resisting the virtual

Animation of a four-chambered muscle alternately

Squeezing releasing illustrating for the screen

Movements embedded under a rib cage

Last rites try to assure that where habit breaks off love still moves

And still we live even in the familiar that disguises a divine heart

Even in the computer-animated diagrams

Replacing touch with image