

Between the Beads

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Beads, sacred beads, in hands held
Beautiful touch of heaven satin smooth
Words spoken, sacred holy words
Decades repeated
Sacred and holy repetition
For some, monotonous
To others, a soothing balm
Sound of the chant
For some, noise it becomes
For others, healing rain.
O my Jesus,

Between the Beads
That small space
Which quickly goes by
All of heaven resides
Mystical and miracles move
Inhale and exhale pause between heartbeats,
Praise of life flows
The moment missed in the visible
Caught and held caressed by the Divine
That minute moment
Holds all of eternity.
Forgive us our sins.

Lulled to sleep by
Soothing notes of symphony float
Vibrations, dancing through the wind,
Lift me to where eagles soar.
Upon next blessed sphere
I rest, grateful for the breath.
Realizing the journey difficult will be,
Perhaps deadly, prayers offered
On calloused knees.
Save us from the fires of hell!

Between the beads,
That small space
Which quickly goes by
An ocean of peace lies
Gently rolling and moving
Massaging the spirit,
Misfortunes of life no longer exist.
Lead all souls to Heaven.
Especially those in most need
Of Thy mercy.



Pressing sphere with fingers
Tips embracing a perpetuity of
Love and grace anxiously anticipating
Escaping darkness sliding down
Into that next small space
Which quickly goes by
Between the beads.
Where fullness of light abides.
That "quickly goes by,"
Becomes time without end.

Awakened in the celestial,
Solo angelic voice glides with tender
Waterfall cascades and resonant waves.
Single violin in the Master's hands
Accompanies Cherubim
With humble words of adoration,
A sigh of grateful thanksgiving exhaled
Between the beads
That small space
Which quickly goes by
Clutched and embraced tightly by heaven
With the knowing of suffering endured.
Breathlessly offered...

*"You have given all to me.
To you, Lord, I return it.
Everything is Yours;
Do with it what You will.
Give me only Your love
And Your grace.
That is enough for me."*

Amen!

(Closing stanza words of
St. Ignatius of Loyola, 1491-1556)