

CREATION

God may have his presence
in silence only,
made so that a man
may have space and time
to make himself himself.
Whatever is lost —
but the unmade silences
teach hope, and possibility,
and all the virtues
God gave men
to make gods of themselves.
Whatever is made
belongs to God.
But wherever silence is
man steps in
and becomes,
encounters time
and unmade space,
working in a way
no other one
has ever wrought.
And what he makes of silence
becomes, like God,
himself.