## A Litany of Ra

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O Ra, Who travelest from Byss to Abyss in Thy Golden bark. Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who givest all and receiveth naught, shining alike upon the just and upon the unjust.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Whose burning glance meltest the snowy veil, and barest the breast of Mother Earth.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who drawest forth the young green shoots from the seedlings buried in the black loam.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who ripenest the corn until it reflects Thine own gleeming gold.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who suckest up the salt waters of Ocean, and Transmutest them into sweet and cooling rain.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who makest our bodies to thrill with the fire of life, and drawest from the piled corpses of the battle-field the unsufferable perfume of death.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who hast formulated the Cross in the Universe, and Who shinest in the midst thereof as a crimson Rose.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who dispellest the grey mists at Thy dawning, and bringest Joy to the waking world.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who paintests the mountains and valleys with gold and sapphire.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who sharest Thy light with out Mother, so that in the dark hours of the night She reflectest Thee.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who makest the stars to pale before Thee, so that we perceive them not when Thou art present.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who spreadest Thy cloak over the evening sky, Thyself a Ruby set in the clasp of Mother-of-Pearl.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who shinest brightly in the Abyss below, though the earth be in darkness above.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who watchest over the dew-drenched fields, setting Thine own image upon each pearly drop.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who clothest the earth with the green cloak of Spring, and weavest thereon designs of jewelled flowers.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who makest the air of summer of shimmering brightness, like unto the gleam of burnished silver.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who dyest the mantle of earth with the russet of Autumn, and patchest it with remnants of red and gold.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who appeareth as a lemon-pale medallion, when the earth lieth covered with the white pall of Winter.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who formulatest the bow of promise in the Heavens, causing all men to remember Thee.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Who awakenest within us the glowing Life-force of Love and Passion.

Shine upon us.

O Ra, Thou Great Father-force of the World, whereby our Mother conceived all things.

Arise within us.

O Ra, May the Love, and Compassionate tenderness of Thy Spouse, our Mother.

Arise within us.

O Ra, May the Fiery and Secret Flame of Thy Son, the Crowned Child.

Arise within us.

O GLORY BE UNTO THEE THROUGH ALL TIME AND THROUGH ALL SPACE, GLORY AND GLORY UPON GLORY, EVERLASTINGLY, AMEN AND AMEN AND AMEN.