

## Loreena Mckennitt

### "Incantation"

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[ Sung in Persian: ]

Anlat bana, Ey Ilham,  
ouzaklara ve genis topraklara  
yolu dusenleri

"Tell me, o Muse of those  
who traveled far and wide"

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Song inspired by a Sufi poem:

O brother, Wisdom is pouring into you  
From the beloved saint of God.  
You've only borrowed it.  
Although the house of your heart  
Is lit from the inside.

That light is lent by a luminous neighbor  
Give thanks; don't be arrogant or vain  
Pay attention to self-importance.  
It's sad that this borrowed state  
Has put religious communities  
Far from religious communion.

-- by Rumi (Mathnawi I, 3255-3258)  
-- translated into English by Kabir and Camille  
Helminski

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