## Warm Brown Earth & Bright Blue Sky

I lay on the warm brown earth and thank GOD for a place to rest. I cool off under the bright blue sky; jump over white-capped waves as they race toward the sandy shore... and then I hear the guns of war.

I rush to shore and run up a hill to look upon a once green and pleasant valley.

No eye can take in all that crime!

No ear can cope with that awful sound!

Here am I looking down on Hell...
and then I'm hit by an exploding shell.

I lay on the warm brown earth
and thank GOD for a resting place.
I look up at the bright blue sky
and wonder...why?
I think of where I might go, and when;
I watch my loved ones pass by, unaware;
my hands feel grass, my face the air – I want to live!
It's not meant to be...I've nothing left to give.

GOD, are you there?
If so, may I have a moment?
Is this truly my last stand?
My body is shattered.
My friends are here.
I know what's what.
Take me now or heal me.
Either way I'd be free.

SON of GOD, I'm sorry
I didn't give you much time before...
perhaps, for a moment in the midst of this war,
you could walk with me along this sandy shore?

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