



St. Francis' Tomb, Assisi

raised be my Lord for our sister, the death of the body,
From whom no man escapeth.

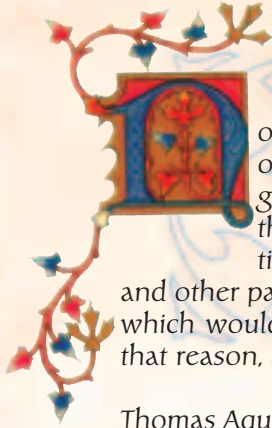
Woe to him who dieth in mortal sin!

Blessed are they who are found walking by Thy most holy will,
For the second death shall have no power to do them harm.

Praise ye, and bless ye the Lord, and give thanks unto Him,
And serve Him with great humility.

Francis of Assisi (1182-1226)





No one is so foolish as not to believe that the things of the physical world are subject to someone's government, providence, and disposition, seeing that they are regulated according to a certain order and time. Thus we see the sun, the moon, and the stars and other parts of the physical world all holding a certain course, which would not happen if they were the sport of chance. For that reason, a man would be a fool not to believe in God.

Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)



Church of Santo Spirito, Florence