

*Ein Kerem is a village east of Jerusalem, in the Judean Hills where John the Baptist was born.*

## Seymour Mayne / EIN KEREM

Into your bronzed skin

the sun sinks darkly

Wait wait

and then go out

into the moon's

light

The rocks are phosphorescent

and the odour

of trees

is heavy on your

limbs

Your face will more

than welcome

mine

The whole night opens

That flesh mouth

is the moon