

Dedicated in memory of Meridel Le Sueur  
(1900-1996)

# Villages of the Earth

## I. Let Us Seek Each Other

\*Meridel Le Sueur

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*PPP* (nasal, buzzing) "nn" \_\_\_\_\_

S \_\_\_\_\_

A \_\_\_\_\_ *PPP* \_\_\_\_\_

**Recitative** - non-metric; use rhythms natural to the text

*p* Solo \_\_\_\_\_

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B "nn" \_\_\_\_\_

S "nn" \_\_\_\_\_ *p* \_\_\_\_\_ *mp*  $\text{♩} = 66$  \_\_\_\_\_

A \_\_\_\_\_ *p* \_\_\_\_\_ *mp* \_\_\_\_\_

T *mp* \_\_\_\_\_ *tutti p* \_\_\_\_\_ *mp* \_\_\_\_\_

B \_\_\_\_\_ *p* \_\_\_\_\_ *mp* \_\_\_\_\_

And bring our goodness to enormous, fertile and perpetual har - vest, toward

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*mf* \_\_\_\_\_ *rit.* \_\_\_\_\_ *p* \_\_\_\_\_

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