

## What is the spirit?

What does it say to you?  
What does it do?  
How can we focus  
So many, so few

Meanings past meaning,  
Airs on a theme?  
We say it like Babel,  
Not just a dream.

Is it within us or  
Is it out there?  
Is it unconscious or  
Are we aware?

Good spirit or evil,  
All spirit or none?  
Transcendent, Immanent?  
Will all be one?

Path to the future?  
Relic of past?  
Is it here now?  
Does it stay? Does it last?

Is it of matter?  
Is matter of it?  
Do these thoughts matter?  
What did I omit?

All questions, no answers,  
Save living each day.  
Holding these quæries  
To Light as we may.

Whatever it may be,  
Abide it with us,  
And hope that about it  
We live without fuss.

John Surr