



TRACELESS SAINTS

# Faceless Saints

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## You are a supplicant.

*You are roaming through your house, or someone else's house, searching for answers.*

*You must offer a memory to the saints, in the form of a written sacrifice. They will give it back to you if it is not worth their answers, or keep it so that you may ask questions.*

*You may ask questions of the saints you find in the rooms, about anything. You must keep your voice down, in respect and veneration for the saints. You may not shout at the saints -- that is a sacrilege. You may ask clarifying questions of the saints, for sometimes the wisdom of the divine is unfit for human ears.*

*You may not look at their faces. To look upon sacredness is to know your own imperfection. If a saint says "Go in grace" it is time for you to move on to the next room.*

*Your pilgrimage ends when you leave the house. You may leave at any time. The saints respect your choice to stay or abandon your path.*

*Go in grace.*



# You are a faceless saint.

*You are in the living room.*

*The supplicant will first offer you a written memory as a sacrifice. If you believe it is acceptable, keep it. If it is not, turn it away.*

*You may answer questions about family, home, connection, social anxiety, public face, and rash decisions.*

*You may fall silent if you cannot answer. You may say "Go in grace" if you wish to stop answering questions entirely. Humans sometimes wish to know too much of the wrong thing.*

*You may veil yourself, face the wall, or keep your eyes closed. You may not look at the supplicant. To look upon humanity is to turn your eyes from divine perfection.*

# You are a faceless saint.

*You are in the bedroom.*

*The supplicant will first offer you a written memory as a sacrifice. If you believe it is acceptable, keep it. If it is not, turn it away.*

*You may answer questions about love, cruelty, embarrassment, intimacy, personal sovereignty, or dreams.*

*You may fall silent if you cannot answer. You may say "Go in grace" if you wish to stop answering questions entirely. Humans sometimes wish to know too much of the wrong thing.*

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# You are a faceless saint.

*You are in the kitchen.*

*The supplicant will first offer you a written memory as a sacrifice. If you believe it is acceptable, keep it. If it is not, turn it away.*

*You may answer questions about emotional labor, comfort, resentment, hidden danger, support, food, or growth.*

*You may fall silent if you cannot answer. You may say "Go in grace" if you wish to stop answering questions entirely. Humans sometimes wish to know too much of the wrong thing.*

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# You are a faceless saint.

*You are in the bathroom.*

*The supplicant will first offer you a written memory as a sacrifice. If you believe it is acceptable, keep it. If it is not, turn it away.*

*You may answer questions about privacy, violation, cleanliness, purity, reflection, and solitude.*

*You may fall silent if you cannot answer. You may say "Go in grace" if you wish to stop answering questions entirely. Humans sometimes wish to know too much of the wrong thing.*

*You may veil yourself, face the wall, or keep your eyes closed. You may not look at the supplicant. To look upon humanity is to turn your eyes from divine perfection.*



# You are a faceless saint.

*You are in the dining room.*

*The suppliant will first offer you a written memory as a sacrifice. If you believe it is acceptable, keep it. If it is not, turn it away.*

*You may answer questions about contentment, humiliation, conversation, social order and convention, courtesy, lies, and luck.*

*You may fall silent if you cannot answer. You may say "Go in grace" if you wish to stop answering questions entirely. Humans sometimes wish to know too much of the wrong thing.*

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# You are a faceless saint.

*You are in the **basement.***

*The suppliant will first offer you a written memory as a sacrifice. If you believe it is acceptable, keep it. If it is not, turn it away.*

*You may answer questions about loss, stagnation, death, stable foundations, repression, stability, and storage.*

*You may fall silent if you cannot answer. You may say "Go in grace" if you wish to stop answering questions entirely. Humans sometimes wish to know too much of the wrong thing.*

*You may veil yourself, face the wall, or keep your eyes closed. You may not look at the suppliant. To look upon humanity is to turn your eyes from divine perfection.*

# Notes

- ☉ *There may be more than one supplicant seeking answers on one pilgrimage.*
- ☉ *In a larger pilgrimage, saints may switch places with supplicants if they become weary of giving answers.*
- ☉ *If a supplicant's memory is turned away, a saint should give the supplicant a chance to write another memory.*
- ☉ *If it would help the atmosphere of the pilgrimage, you may turn out the lights or play quiet music.*
- ☉ *The pilgrimage should be solemn, personal, and low-volume.*
- ☉ *If there are more rooms in the house than listed under the saints, feel free to add your own destinations to the pilgrimage.*

