

# Ellis Paul, Did Galileo Pray?

When he looked  
Into a starry sky upon Jupiter,  
With it's cold moons  
Making their weary rounds.

Did he know that the Pope  
Would claim that he ran with Lucifer  
And a prison cell  
Would be where he'd lay his head down?

Was he wearing a thorny crown?  
When he plotted the motion of planets,  
Was Mercury in retrograde?  
But he found the truth when a lie was what was demanded.  
When the judges asked him pointedly  
He was a' trembling that day.

Chorus  
Did Galileo pray?  
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And he said,  
"Tell Ptolemy, tell Copernicus,  
That the Sun is at the core of us  
The Church, the Pope  
Can't deny the Milky Way

And every flower that follows the sun,  
Has known all along  
What God had done  
They whisper truth  
As the seasons each give way.

Don't shoot the messenger,  
The postman delivers Truth today.  
And Truth will march in Birmingham  
It will block the tanks in Tiananmen.  
Put the judges on the witness stand  
Let's see what they all say.

Chorus

In the heavens you'll see it  
As God has conceived it.  
Oh, believe it.  
Oh, what have you got to do to believe?

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