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- First book of Zhang Ji (c.766 - 830), a major poet of the Tang dynasty, in any Western language

Zhang Ji was a friend and poetic correspondent of such giants as Bai Juyi and Han Yu. In this book, three hundred poems are rendered in accurate, readable translation, demonstrating the remarkable range of Zhang's stylistic choices: from atmospheric landscape quatrains, evoking vast scenes.

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