

Collected Poems

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The Titans

They are the large men, the muscle men.
They transform and they trample.
They strive and strut.
They are never beaten.
They are never stopped.

No god humbles them.
No rules bind them.

Like their brother Prometheus, they carry fire,
in the mind and in the eye.

Like their brother Saturn, they create the next life,
with their bodies and with their spirit.

Like their brother Atlas, they manipulate the world,
by their hand and by their wit.

Like their sister Rhea, they mother,
with their words and their might.

Like their brother Ocean, they renew life,
for their own sake and their love's sake.

They never rest; they never sleep.
Age does not dim them.

Star-blessed, moon-tossed, sun-bronzed.
Without attachments, without obligations,
without chains.

Playing, frolicking, laughing,
they cannot be hurt,
they cannot be shamed,
they cannot be blamed.

Every bodily comfort they have.
Every object they possess.
Every moment they fill.

Reaching one goal, they leap to another,
They are famed, but it does not move them.

Wind and water,
Fire and rock,
World and life,
'Til time gives space to the next round of gods.

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Watch Out! Waterspout!

Watch Out! Bears **A**bout! or Watch Out! **A**ll out!

Watch Out! It's a **B**out! or Watch Out! **B**ears About!

Watch Out! For His **C**lout! or Watch Out! **C**lear out!

Watch Out! No **D**oubt! or Watch Out! It's a **D**rought! or Watch Out! **D**rop out!

Watch Out! Don't **E**at Out! or Watch Out! **E**at a sprout!

Watch Out! Don't **F**lout! or Watch Out! **F**all out!

Watch Out! Sticky **G**rouT! or Watch Out! Your **g**out! or Watch Out! **G**o out!

Watch Out! **H**ide out! or Watch Out! **H**ippo about!

Watch Out! **I**'m Out! or Watch Out! **I**n and Out! or Watch Out! **I**t's a rout!

Watch Out! **J**ack's About! or Watch Out! **J**ane's out! or Watch Out! **J**ump out!

Watch Out! Sauer**k**raut! or Watch Out! **K**ick it out!

Watch Out! You **L**out! or Watch Out! **L**ights Out!

Watch Out! Your **M**outh! or Watch Out! **M**ove out!

Watch Out! Now turn about! or Watch Out! **N**o one about!

Watch Out! **O**r spout! or Watch Out! **O**gres about!

Watch Out! You'll **P**out! or Watch Out! **P**ig snout!

Watch Out! **Q**uick Gout! or Watch Out! **Q**uackers about!

Watch Out! It's a **R**out! or Watch Out! **R**oar out!

Watch Out! Sauer**k**raut! or Watch Out! Boy **S**cout! or Watch Out! Girl **S**cout! or
Watch Out! Don't **S**hout! or Watch Out! He's **S**tout!

Watch Out! He's a **T**out! or Watch Out! It's a **T**rouT! or Watch Out! **T**rouT about!

Watch Out! **U**mlaut! or Watch Out! **U**p and out!

Watch Out! **V**ery Stout! or Watch Out! **V**eg out!

Watch Out! **W**aterspout! or Watch Out! **W**hales about!

Watch Out! **E**xtra stout! or Watch Out! **X**ibecs about!

Watch Out! **Y**ou're out! or Watch Out! **Y**aks about!

Watch Out! **Z**ebbras about! or Watch Out! **Z**oo's out!

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Plight

Every day they drink a bottle without thought,
To forget about what their ancestors taught,
Who believed the spiritual was in everything.

They try to get a job, but they always hear "no,"
So they have to live in the ghetto.

They respected their land, but now have no feeling.
Violence and hatred in the street day after day.
Their Mother, Earth, is fading away.

Railroad signs show respect for Earth is ending.
Can they change anything?

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Tomorrow Still Loves You Tonight

Her name is tomorrow,
Dazzling and beckoning.
Who knows what will be, but
Tomorrow still loves you
Tonight.

Today comes and she's gone.
It's over. What happened.
Keep hopeful and maybe,
Tomorrow will love you
Tonight.

She is hope and dreaming.
Tomorrow is constant.
She returns daily, and
Tomorrow still loves you
Tonight.

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Snow Falls Around Me

The winter snow
Falls around me,
So quietly
In ev'nings glow.

I see you there,
In falling leaves,
On autumn eves
We use to share.

I see you in
The summer sun,
When we were one,
But that was then.

I see your face,
Life's tangled loom,
Where flowers bloom,
In our spring space.

The snowflakes fall,
The night descends,
Our story ends,
I saw it all.

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Winter Solstice

Winter solstice,
Longest darkness,
Quiet stillness,
What portends?

Nature clearest,
Simplest, purest,
Daylight softest,
A year ends.

We too cooler,
Calmer, deeper,
Like the winter,
Now begins.

Warm we will stay,
Let come what may,
Life is that way,
Hope beckons.

Caring, sharing,
Helping, loving,
Hugging, snuggling,
Best of friends.

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Live Like a Hero

I

You say you lost your job,
Your wife's two-timing you,
Your kids are delinquent,
And your health is bad, too.

Your car's broken down,
You can't pay the rent,
Your friends are all gone,
And your money's all spent.

Your mind's in neutral,
With nowhere to go,
The world's like a movie,
But you're not part of the show.

You need a fresh start,
To get energized,
Maybe something will happen,
Some kind of surprise.

II

Some people are confident,
Their minds are quick,
They choose to take action,
They never make a mistake.

Nobody can stop them,
Whatever they begin,
No matter the setback,
They always win.

They never worry about
What they cannot control,
They think only of the future,
How to reach their goal.

You've got to think like them,
Leave everything behind,
Try something new,
Reset your mind.

III

Be strong to the end,
Parry every attack,
Sail every sea
With the wind at your back.

You can prevail,
You can overcome every woe,
You can live fully
Wherever you go.

Wear a jaunty smile,
With fierce concentration,
Unworried by failure,
Alert to sensation.

It's true you're alone,
But there is a way through,
You've got to think like a hero,
To really be you.

You've got to live like a hero,
And you will get through.

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Waiting for Santa

Everybody's waiting for Santa.
They're waiting for that jolly old guy.
Everybody's waiting for Santa,
And we all, oh yeah, we all know why.

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I think I hear Santa comin'.
He's a-flyin' through the sky.
I think I hear Santa comin'.
Yes, he's comin' mighty nigh.

.
Here comes jolly old Santa.
I see him in the moonlight.
Here comes jolly old Santa.
I better hurry and say nighty-night.

.
I gotta run now. Hide in my bed.
Can't let Santa even see me.
I gotta run now. Hide in my bed.
Let him eat his milk and cookie.

.
I hear him in the chimney.
Santa's comin' on down.
I hear him in the chimney.
Santa's come to town!

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