

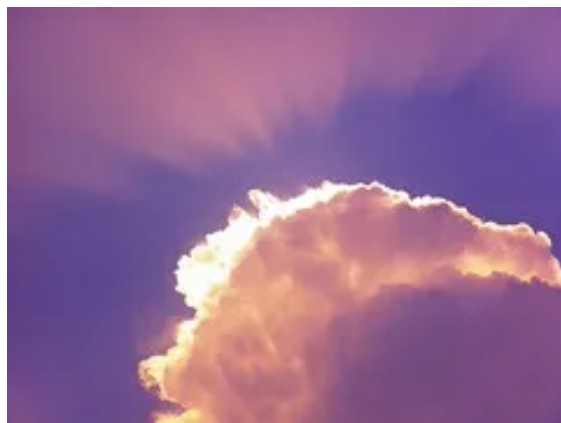
# The Bard on the Hill

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## I Thought That Nature Was Enough by Emily Dickinson

May 16, 2012 by [Dennis Lange](#)



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I thought that nature was enough  
Till human nature came,  
But that the other did absorb  
As firmament a flame.

Of human nature just aware  
There added the divine  
Brief struggle for capacity.  
The power to contain

Is always as the contents,  
But give a giant room  
And you will lodge a giant  
And not a lesser man.

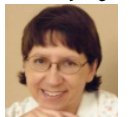
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Such a powerful truth, isn't it? If we will open ourselves up to that which is large, and great, and creative, and continually make it welcome, then that's what we will have an abundance of. But if we stay satisfied with that which is little, that which doesn't demand anything of us — if we let fear or self-absorption cause us to keep ourselves shut up to only what we know, and believe we can control, we will have only that as well. Much food for thought in such a small number of words.



**bardessmdenton**

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Ah, Emily! I just savor her every word...



**thebardonthehill**

She used them so well!

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