

Original Poem

Lenard Coen

"Like a bird on the wire,"
"like a drunk in a midnight choir",
"I have tried in my way to be free."
"Like a worm on a hook,"
"like a knight from some old fashioned book",
"I have saved all my ribbons for thee."
"If I, if I have been unkind,"
"I hope that you can just let it go by."
"If I, if I have been untrue",
"I hope you know it was never to you."
"Like a baby, stillborn,"
"like a beast with his horn",
"I have torn everyone who reached out for me."
"But I swear by this song",
"and by all that I have done wrong",
"I will make it all up to thee."
"I saw a beggar leaning on his wooden crutch,"
"he said to me, \"You must not ask for so much.\""
"And a pretty woman leaning in her darkened door,"
"she cried to me, \"Hey, why not ask for more?\""
"Oh like a bird on the wire,"
"like a drunk in a midnight choir",
"I have tried in my way to be free."