

The Five Boons of Life

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Chapter I

in eht gimnnor fo efil acem a

dgoo afiry hitw ehr abekst'

adn adis:

"eehr aer fgist' aekt eno'
* * *

ahddeaaadergifghofeaibaocame a
gnerheaioyniits htlkeesket
inotsfimr wnt r f ne
o r

aeelv eht ehorst' adn be arwy'

cehoos eilswy' ho' cehoos

eilswy' for lnoy eno fo ehmt

is aabelluv."

eht fgist eerw efiv' aefm'

elov' cehirs' aeelprsu' adeht'
* * *

ceaeaefabheehelfeaacdeaadeamh
iheeeirhcleloeplhoeehfbmehary
lhoogltieoesrnroivnnrofsewet
lisvlyutfsoty s su oo t
tovvs wi r y
ws s w

eht hotuy adis' aeeglry:

"eehrt is no deen ot

cdeinors' adn eh cehos

aeelprsu'

eh entw otu inot eht dlorw adn

ghostu otu eht aeelprssu ahtt
* * *

ceeaedehtnahdeedaeeolerldhand
hheeheriousaidtheecerres t at
plhgintos toie oetghuso
sonsrouru tnn pl ho wy
touwst t n ts
t yu

hotuy degilst in' btu aceh in

ist nrtu asw horst deilv adn

adgiiinnoppst' ainv adn empty'

adn aceh' adeginprrt' cdekmo

him' in eht den eh adis:

"eehst aersy i aehv adestw' fi
* * *

aidaeaceeaaeeadhaeebaadcaaddif
dihehedhlhdhgihiaiglaidechtin
hnmtpininienpnrohnsimeeedn y
ios sponttgsts tit unotkep
yts tury wis s vnv wts m
tu r r v

i cdlou btu cehoos aagin' i
dlouw cehoos eilswy

Chapter II

eht afiry aadeeppr' adn adis:
"foru fo eht fgist aeimnr"

cehoos ceno emor' adn ho'
* * *

cfcldacfbcaeceaeedaaaaahnaid
iheofedhnoeemgifeeyndmdis i
thoorlioothpphiosl renin
woous oryus oorts g o
u u t wrs

beeemmrr eimt is fgilny' adn
lnoy eno fo ehmt is ceioprsu

eht amn cddeeinors glno' ehnt

cehos elov' adn ddi not akmr

eht aerst ahtt eors in eht

afiry' s eesy'
* * *

caeeaaeceeaddiddlliechaaed
feermbeoeofiaeeemeielnnggiehkn
ohismelrsonsiheroif onntmorn
rhlytonrvytsmn rsss pot tus
thm y n t tt yr
tno s

aefrt amny' amny aersy eht amn

ast by a cffino' in an empty

ehmo' adn eh cdemnou hitw

efhilms' aginsy: "eno by eno

ehty aehv egno aawy adn eflt

em' adn now ehs eils eehr' eht
* * *

aeeehaadcaefaealaeaahbeeeafe
hemeblaaeogficgmmieeandihenmhn
hfmsendnnshomenywinndnerlhtt
mhtyryfvnyoynhn unsewtmo t
sit m w sio yo r ytp y
to n y

adeerst adn eht alst'

adeilnoost aefrt adeilnoost

ahs epstw eorv em' for aceh

horu fo aehinppss eht

aceehorrstu aderrt' elov' ahs

dlos em i aehv adip a adhnostu
* * *

daaacaieiaadaeeadaadfalaeachand
deedehephnhafhemededeoteiohas
helolmerinopinepeisslrhvoun
hosrsof oupvttrerlrto t s
sosr st o s tr ss o
tru wt t vt

horsu fo efgir' otu fo my
aehrt fo aehrst i cersu him."

Chapter III

"cehoos aagin' it asw eht

afiry aegiknps'

"eht aersy aehv aghttu ouy
* * *

faaeoseaaaaafe iacgafemhem
hchosyefegehegs ittuhs thi
hehrt ofrgkint ouwos you
oiry op hrinv t rt y
tur s s ir

dimosw elrsuy it mstu be os'

eehrt fgist aeimnr' lnoy eno

fo ehmt ahs any hortw

beeemmrr it' adn cehoos

ailrwy."

eht amn cdeeeflrt glno' ehnt
* * *

oaedaeifafeaamadchohgebehee
remehbgrherlecndinlonnlytonn
tfrelem ris letetomtos so
thrimmn sts rnyiw ruot
whstmy ut y s
wi o

cehos aefm' adn eht afiry'

gghiins' entw ehr awy'

aersy entw by adn ehs acem

aagin' adn doost bdehin eht

amn eehrw eh ast ailorsty in

eht adfgin ady' ghiiknnt' adn
* * *

aaahadaedebanaddbeaeaaameand
ceafheamehdaoerhehfigthen
mgerinfeng etsdnthihindry i
shgsn gint ntyhttsolitiry
thn s wrnw sy o snk n
yio w w y

ehs eknw his ghhotu:

"my aemn defill eht dlorw' adn

ist aeiprss eerw no eervy

egnotu' adn it deeems ellw

hitw em for a eilltt ehilw'

how eilltt a ehilw it asw!
* * *

hhegkaaeadaaedeeeeeadoade and
iinhleeifeiliehillheevhell
sms nietlfislthitglitwrl
tot pmmwshr wtlothmtw wls
wow unt ns wrsuon wry
ty r o t

ehnt acem envy' ehnt
 acdeinortt' ehnt acldmuy' ehnt
 aeht' ehnt ceeinoprstu' ehnt
 deiinors' chhiw is eht
 beggiinnn fo eht den' adn alst
 fo all acem ipty' chhiw is eht
 * * *
 baeaacacamefecececcadhcandheae
 degelcihenehihheieehiehyislhnn
 derinioienonpihnthniomn t tnst
 hetislmtg wptrsy stlun t
 oftn ntno vtt uwn
 th r n y t

aeflnru fo aefm' ho' eht
 beeinrsstt adn eimrsy fo
 ennorw' aegrtt for dmU in ist
 eimpr' for cemnoptt adn
 acimnoopss in ist acdey"
 * * *
 beieaaleoaraadeeiodeaaden its
 cimmennfof cemifmpemcdhf
 fonoersion fntmorhrunoi
 prnprs sr gnt tsst yty
 ruttw ts io

Chapter IV

"cehos ety aagin" it asw eht
 afiry's ceiov
 "otw fgist aeimnr' adn do not
 adeiprs' in eht beggiinnn
 eehrt asw btu eno ahtt asw
 * * *
 daeoaeiaaeibaeaaibegaadiaasnhe
 fchoegrfsoicehene thnnwdg tot
 teipsisytsnrgminn int no
 hsry w vt ut o it ws
 twr t

ceioprsu' adn it is illst
 eeht"
 "aehtw chhiw is eoprw how
 bdiln i asw adis eht amn
 "now' at alst' efil illw be
 hortw eht giilnv' i illw
 * * *
 beeadoaheaaichiaideoheilaaw
 hlechthswlaidingifitselllho
 pniei it whnt sisip will n
 woonl t lsv l s wirm
 rrt u s t wt
 WRW

denps' adengrsu' adelzz' eehst

cekmors adn deeiprsss illw

aclrw in eht dirt beefor em'

adn i illw deef my ghnruy

aehrt hitw ehirt envy' i illw

aehv all eilrsuux' all josy'
* * *

aaaedaiiahaeddddeidaafleelleele
ceakerlilldfdeipmebellgiomhls
hncni slqlhneeirssehsnriyti
hodrl wntnutheirtynruowj ws
mpewt ws t xuer vy r y
srv u rs zz

all aceehmnnnstt fo eht

iiprst' all ceemnnnosttt fo

eht bdoy ahtt amn dhlos ader'

i illw buy' buy' buy'

cdeeeefnr' ceeprst' eeemst'

hioprsw eervy bccehiknp acegr
* * *

aeeebecbaehabnmacbchbdcadeaace
dhfieidcalleconeefmeeekegfr
ilirhlnhentmesppinhoehss mr
solsinpyutvreutsnotylnt o
tpr lo y rryt tu tst
w w rt t

fo efil eht aekmrt fo a

aiilrtv dlorw acn fhinrsu

fhort' i aehv lost chmu eimt'

adn cehnos abdly eeefhoorrt'

btu elt ahtt apss' i asw

aginnort ehnt' adn cdlou btu
* * *

afdlcaeiehabaaaaedececadhbee
bgiohalsthaeddcanhfifnafoimt
fnntienttheleplknt mothstru
iorvifo wnhtm lost oruis
ort lht orvn rss ruwl
tu r t y u o

aekt for best ahtw deeems os."

eehrt horst aersy entw by' adn

a ady acem ehnw eht amn ast

eghiinrsv in a aemn aegrtr'

adn eh asw agntu adn anw adn

hlloow deey' adn cdehlot in
* * *

aadaeecaabdgaaadaeadeaabdand
ahdeefiegeenhanhealegaedeand
hhiehrohmeistenmscnomemesiso
snklowsnortwyenrthnsnhnnytt
tolvy rys uwt tw ttrr
t r w w

agrs' adn eh asw agginnw a dry

crstu adn bgilmmnu:

"cersu all eht dlrow's fgist'

for ceeikmors adn ddegil eils!

adn acdeillms' eervy eno' ehty

aer not fgist' btu eelmry
* * *

aadrmeaaaifedbabdegaedediaidey
acesmiacdhehehaengldlieeyftery
cngsnockdliemwliogniwong lths
for sosnerlts nurrm rng s
rru t tng mts svt y s l
ru l u w

degilnns' aeelprsu' elov'

aefm' cehirs: ehty aer btu

aemoprty degiisssu for

agilnst aeiiilrst ainp'

efgir' aehms' eoprty' eht

afiry adis ertu' in all ehr
* * *

faidfnaacaaeeaaeeenaaelbher
faieingihddiigihrerpainehe
gameirgrieelrtpisestflrtut
lempo rsrhmlsusosi lov
lenry ssy ps tuvy ro
trst t u y

eorst eehrt asw btu eno fgit

chhiw asw ceioprsu' lnoy eno

ahtt asw not aeellssuv' how

oopr adn acehp adn aemn i know

ehost ehorst now ot be'

acdemopr hitw ahtt abeeiilmnst
* * *

chacaaaaeceeaaaaadlebaetgiable
phiperedhehrecihbeoieelyhmfeow
shmrewndsnishnolnstmn iokn
toorh oh rotwpsout ons iont
toos ts wpt vtwt on w
wtot wt r u ss

eno' ahtt ader adn eestw adn

diklnoy eno' ahtt eepsst in

adeelmrss adn deginnru eelps

eht ainps ahtt ceeprstu eht

bdoy' adn eht aehmss adn

efgirs ahtt aet eht dimn adn
* * *

bhdafaaadaaeaaaaadeecaediaed
diedllenhedhahehdheeeendlahd
gneemshnn thdrsnemringne ene
koeptios tnettpnrssniss nnp
ori y ss t e ttstswptt t
trn tt t u u

aeht' bginr it! i am aerwy' i
dlouw erst."

Chapter V

eht afiry acem' bggiinnr aagin
foru fo eht fgist' btu adeht
asw aginntw ehs adis:
* * *
faaldafbihcagefebiaadindaagaii
heerfaieriegmihtsribgtweeath n
thsrtonrsng it s im g ry
wou w rtttn s nu
wou y

"i aegv it ot a ehmort's ept'
a eilltt cdhil' it asw
aginnort' btu dersttu em'
agikns em ot cehoos for it'
ouy ddi not aks em ot cehoos."
* * *
agkgaadeecbiacaoieeeeaoceioee
ailidgemioholdhrmothdrmhopt
ioniniltntttosk msttesrs t
ysuortn tut t os wf
tv ut o

"ho' abeeilmrs em! ahtw is
eflt for em?"
ahtw not eenv ouy aehv
ddeeersv: eht annotw ilnstu fo
dlo aeg."
* * *
dedaafedemabeewaetohaaesilt of
lefergeotrehen mnu nhin us
olhttmir evl yo w vt
oh vns t
ws o