

Say now what ye will.

Then they shall enter the house.

PETER
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Sir, the Master salutes thee
and as messengers sent we be.
Therefore we pray thee heartily
to take heed to us until.

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The Master hath sent us to thee,
a place prepare for him must we.
The paschal lamb there eat will he
with his disciples all.

OWNER

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Lo, here a parlour all ready dight,
with pav-ed floors and windows bright.
Make all things ready as you think right,
and this have you shall.

prepared

JOHN

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Now, brother Peter, let us hie
the paschal lamb to make ready.
And to our Master then go will we
as fast as we may.

hasten

Then they shall deck out the table and return.

PETER

Thy commandment, Lord, done have we.
The paschal lamb is made ready.
Therefore, come on and you shall see,
and we shall lead the way.

Then they shall go.

JESUS
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Now, brethren, go to your seat,
this paschal lamb now let us eat,
and then we shall of other things entreat
that be of great effect.

seats

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For know ye now, the time is come
that signs and shadows be all done.
Therefore make haste, that we may soon
all figures clean reject.

are ended

completely

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For now a new Law I will begin
to help Mankind out of his sin
so that he may Heaven win,
the which for sin he lost.
And here, in presence of you all,
another sacrifice begin I shall,
to bring Mankind out of his thrall
for help him need I most.

*bondage
necessarily must*

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Then Jesus shall recline, and John shall sleep in his bosom.

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Brethren, I tell you, by and by
with great desire desired have I
this Passover to eat with you, truly,
before my Passion.
For I say to you certainly
my Father's will Almighty
I must fulfill meekly
and ever to be boun.

from time to time

certainly

ready

The Jesus shall take bread, break it, and give it to his disciples, saying:

90	This bread I give here my blessing. Take, eat, brethren, at my bidding, for, believe you well, without lesing, this is my body	<i>believe; truly</i>
95	that shall die for all Mankind in remission of their sin This give I you, on me to min ay after evermore.	<i>remember always</i>

Then he shall take the chalice in his hands, with eyes turned to Heaven, saying:

100	Father of Heaven, I thank thee for all that ever thou dost to me. Brethren, take this with heart free; that is my blood	<i>joyful</i>
105	that shall be shed on the tree, For more together may not drink we in Heaven-bliss till that we be to taste that ghostly food.	<i>spiritual</i>

Then he shall eat and drink with the disciples, and Judas Iscariot shall have his hand in the dish.

Brethren, truly I to you say:
one of you shall me betray
that eateth here with me today
in this company.

PETER 111	Alas, alas, and weal-away! Who that may be, know I nor may -- for I it is not, truly, that shall cause such annoy.	<i>misery may not know truly havoc</i>
ANDREW 115	Hard it is for us all to whom this case shall befall. We be but twelve within this hall. Lord, tell if it be I.	<i>misfortune</i>
JAMES 120	Sorrowful for these words be we. Who it is I cannot see. If this case shall fall to me, Lord, tell me hastily.	<i>determine misfortune</i>

Then Judas shall reach into the dish.

JESUS 125	Through his deceit I am but dead that in my cup wets his bread. Much woe for his wicked read that wretch must suffer, iwiss. it would be good had he been unborn, for body and soul he is forlorn that falsely so hath done befor -- and still his intention is.	<i>counsel suffer; truly utterly lost before</i>
JUDAS 131	Dear Master, is it not I that shall do thee this villainy?	<i>dear</i>
JESUS	Thou hast said truly Judas, readily, for surely thou art he.	<i>said truly certainly</i>

	That thou shalt do, do hastily.	<i>whatsoever</i>
JUDAS 136	Farewell, all this company! For in an errand I must hie; undone it may not be.	<i>hasten</i>
JESUS 140	Brethren, take up this meat anon! to another deed we must be gone. Your feet shall washed be each one to show all charity.	<i>quickly proceed</i>
145	And first myself – I will begin, and wash you all that be herein, on this deed that you may min and meeker may to be.	<i>complete love have mind</i>
<i>Then Jesus shall gird his body with a towel.</i>		
PETER	Ah, Lord! Shall thou wash my feet?	<i>must you</i>
JESUS	What I do, Peter, I thee behete, for now thou shalt not weet, but thou shalt afterward.	<i>promise understand</i>
PETER 151	Nay, Lord, indeed in no manner! My feet shalt thou not wash here.	<i>by no way</i>
JESUS	Unless I wash them without were, of joy gets thou no part.	<i>unless; truly</i>
PETER 155	Nay, Lord, my feet may well be laid; but wash my hands and my head,	<i>neglected</i>
JESUS	All is clean. Therefore do I read if thy feet shall washed be you will be clean. But not all!	<i>advise</i>
PETER 160	Lord, of joy thou art the well, and though it do not well befall, have here my feet to thee.	<i>well-spring is not fitting for you</i>
<i>Then he shall wash the feet of all, one at a time, and take off the towel.</i>		
JESUS 165	My dear brethren, well know ye that “Lord” and “Master” you call me; and well you say, as it should be – I am, and have been yore. Since I have washed your feet here – Lord and Master – in meek manner, do each so to other in together as I have done before.	<i>know for a long time humbly each; together</i>
<i>Then all in turn shall wash the feet of the others.</i>		
170	My little children, and my brethren free, a little while may I with you be, but thither shall you not go with me as I am now on my way.	<i>noble for a short time</i>
175	But this truly is my bidding: you love one another in all thing as I before, without fletching, have loved you truly ay.	<i>wavering always</i>

180	So all men may know and see my disciples that you be, falsehood may you always flee and love well together.	<i>shun love;</i>
PETER	Lord, whither is your way?	
JESUS 185	Peter, thither as I go today, come, certainly, thou not may at this time, in no manner.	<i>by no means</i>
	But thou shalt thither go.	
PETER	Why shall it not, Lord, be so? My life I will put in woe and for thy sake be slain.	<i>in jeopardy</i>
JESUS 191	Peter, I tell thee surely, before the cock has crowed thrie thou shalt forsake my company and recant thy words again.	<i>thrice</i>
195	Brethren, let not your hearts be sore, but believe in God evermore and in me, as you have before, and worry not in this case.	<i>sad situation</i>
200	For in my Father's house there is many dwellings of great bliss and thither I will go now, iwiss, to prepare you a place.	<i>truly prepare</i>
205	And though I go from you away to prepare a place to your pay, I shall come again another day and take you all with me.	<i>pleasure</i>
THOMAS	Lord, we know not, truly, what manner of road thou will assay. Tell us, that we know may that road, and go with thee.	<i>set out upon</i>
JESUS 211	Thomas, I tell thee without strife, in me is the way, truth, and life. and to my Father no man nor wife may come without me.	<i>contradiction truth nor woman</i>
215	And if you knew me verily my Father you might know in hie. From henceforth, I say you sickerly, know him all shall ye.	<i>in tuth at once for certain</i>
PHILIP	Lord, let us see thy Father anon and it will satisfy us every one.	<i>at once</i>
JESUS 221	A long time you have with me gone, Philip – why say thou so? Certainly, who sees me sees my Father, I tell it thee.	
225	Why wish thou my Father to see while I with you go?	

	Philip, believe thou not this: that my Father in me is, and I in him also, iwiss, and we are both one?	<i>indeed</i>
230	the works that I do are his, for his help I may not miss. Therefore, to win you Heaven-bliss, my deeds you believe upon!	<i>lack for yourselves</i>
235	Whatsoever ye ask my Father dear in my name in good manner, to fulfill it I have power -- all that is at my pay --	<i>pleasure</i>
240	so that my Father in majesty by me glorified may be; and either, as I say to thee, for one have been ay.	
245	If that you love me heartfully keep my bidding truly and to my Father pray will I to send you the Holy Ghost to abide with you evermore; for the world knows not his lore, but you, that have known me yore -- in you he shall be most.	<i>knowledge very long strongest</i>
250	Though I go now to distress, I will not leave you comfortless; but believe this well and well express: once more I will come again.	<i>suffering</i>
255	And then your hearts on a row shall happy be, my bliss to know, which joy no man shall take you fro, would he never so fain.	<i>collectively eager</i>
260	Rise up and go we hither anon. To my prayer I must gone. But sit you still every one, my father while I call, Keep watch, and have my benison against falling into temptation.	<i>at once go all of you blessing</i>
265	The spirit always to bale is boun and the flesh ready to fall.	<i>for evil; ready</i>
<i>Then Jesus shall go to pray, and the disciples shall fall asleep because of their distress.</i>		
270	Father of Heaven in majesty, glorify, if thy will may be, thy Son, that he may glorify thee now, before I hither wend. In earth thou hast given me posty, and I have done with heart free the work that thou charged me and brought it to an end.	<i>go power willing placed upon</i>
275	Thy name have I caused men to know and spared not thy will to show to my disciples on a row whom thou hast given me And now they know verily	<i>in a company whom truly</i>

280 that from the Father sent am I.
 Therefore, I pray thee especially:
 save them through thy mercy!

Then he shall come to the disciples and shall find them sleeping; and he shall say:

 What! Sleep you, brethren all, here?
 Rise up and make your prayer
 lest temptation have power
285 to make you for to fall.
 The flesh is, as I said before,
 inclining always to sin sore,
 and spirit preoccupied evermore.
 Therefore now keep watch all!

Then he shall go a second time to prayer, and shall say in a loud voice:

290 My heart is in great misliking *distress*
 for death that is to me coming.
 Father, if I dare ask this thing:
 put this away from me!
 Each thing to thee possible is.
295 Nevertheless, now in this
 at your will I am, iwiss. *truly*
 As thou wilt, let it be.

Then he shall return again to his disciples.

 Ye sleep, brethren, still, I see,
300 Sleep on now, all ye!
 My time is come taken to be.
 From you I must go away.
 He that hath betrayed me,
 this night from him will I not flee.
305 In sorry time born was he,
 and so he may well say.

Then Judas shall come there with a company of soldiers with lanterns, torches and arms.

 You men I ask, whom seek ye?

MALCHUS Jesus of Nazareth, him seek we.

JESUS Here all ready – I am he,
 What have you for to say?

JUDAS Ah, sweet master, kiss thou me,
311 for it is long since I thee see, *since; saw*
 and together we will flee
 and steal from them away.

JESUS What seek you men with such a breath? *outcry*

1st SOLDIER We seek Jesus of Nazareth.

JESUS I said before, and still I say,
 I am he, truly.
 Suffer these men to go their way
 and I am at your will.

MALCHUS False thief, thou shalt gone *go*

321	to Bishop Caiaphas, and that anon, or I shall break thy body and bone if thou are too late.	<i>at once</i>
PETER 325	Thief! if thou be so bold my Master so for to hold, thou shalt be repaid an hundredfold -- and onward take thou that!	
330	Be thou so bold, as may thrive I, to seize my master here in hie, full dearly thou shalt it abuy. But thou thee hither dight, thy ear shall off, by God's grace, before thou pass from this place.	<i>hastily pay for go</i>
<i>Then he shall draw out a sword and shall cut off the ear of Malchus.</i>		
335	Go complain now to Caiaphas and bid him do thee right.	<i>give you justice</i>
MALCHUS	Out! Alas, alas, alas! By Cock's bones, my ear he has! to me is betide a hard case since ever I came here!	<i>God's fortune</i>
JESUS 341	Peter, put up thy sword in hie! Whosoever with the sword smiteth gladly with sword shall perish hastily, I tell thee without were.	<i>at once exultantly doubt</i>
<i>Then Jesus shall touch the ear and shall heal it.</i>		
MALCHUS 345	Ah, well is me, well is me! My ear is healed now, I see. So merciful a man as is he knew I never none.	
1 st SOLDIER 350	Yea, though he have healed thee, protected from us shall he not be, but to Sir Caiaphas, as mot I thee, with us shall be gone.	<i>may have so may I thrive</i>
JESUS 355	As a thief you came here with swords and staves and armere to take me in cruel manner and achieve your wicked will. In temple with you when I was ay, no hand on me would you lay; but now is come time and day your purpose to fulfill.	<i>weaponry always purpose</i>
1 st SOLDIER 361	Come, caitiff, to Caiaphas, or thou shalt have a hard grace. Trot on upon a prouder pace, thou vile popelard.	<i>fate brisker; rate hypocrite Satan</i>
365	Though Beelzebub and Satan come to help thee in this case, both thy hands that thou has shall be bounden hard.	

And at the start the soldiers shall come, leading Jesus to Annas and Caiaphas.

- 1ST SOLDIER
370 Sir Bishop, here we have brought
a wretch that much woe has wrought
and would bring our law to nought –
for it he hath spurned. *despised*
- 2ND SOLDIER
375 Yea, widely we have him sought,
and dear also we have him bought,
for here many a man's thought
to him has turned.
- ANNAS
Ah, jangling Jesus, art thou now here?
Now thou may prove thy power,
whether thy cause be clean and clear;
thy Christhood we must know.
- CAIAPHAS
381 Methink a mastery that it were
either for money or at our prayer
to escape from his danger
and such sleight to show. *demonstration of power*
- ANNAS
385 Sir Caiaphas, I say certainly
we that been in company
must needs this idiot destroy
that wickedly has wrought.
- CAIAPHAS
390 Sir, it is needful – this say I --
that one man should die, certainly,
all the people to forbuy *redeem*
so that they perish nought.
- 3RD SOLDIER
395 Sir Caiaphas, hearken now to me!
This babble-a-vaunt would our king be.
Whatsoever he says now before thee,
I heard him say full yore *long ago*
that prince he was, of such posty
destroy the temple well might he
and build it up in days three
400 right as it was before.
- 4TH SOLDIER
405 Yea, certainly, that I heard him say.
He may not deny by no way!
And also, that he was God truly,
Emmanuel and Messiah.
He may not deny this nor say nay,
for more than forty, truly,
that in the temple were that day
heard him as well as I.
- CAIAPHAS
410 Say, Jesus, to this what say ye?
Thou knowest now what is put on thee.
Put forth, prince, thy posty *power*
and answer what they would prove.
What Devil! One word speaks not he!
415 Yet, Jesus, here I conjure thee;
if thou be God's Son, before me
answer to that they move.
- JESUS
As thou sayest, right so say I --

- 420 I am God's Son Almighty;
and here I tell thee truly
that me yet shall thou see
all on God's right hand him by
Mankind in clouds to justify.
- CAIAPHAS "Justify!" Marry, fie, fie on thee, fie!
425 Witness of all this company
that falsely lies he!
- Ye hear all that he says here.
Of witness now what need were?
for before all these folk together
loudly thou lies!
430 What say you men that now been here?
- 1ST SOLDIER Buffet him that makes this bere, *boast*
for to God may he not be dear
that our Law so destroys.
- CAIAPHAS Destroy shall he not it,
436 ye wretches – ye want wit!
Give that fellow a fit
and hit him in the face.
- ANNAS Despise him, spurn and spit!
440 Let see, before you sit,
who has the chance to hit
him who us harmed has.
- Then the soldiers set Jesus up in a chair, and the First soldier shall speak
as the process of torture goes on.*
- 1ST SOLDIER In order to harm him here
445 approach will I near
this stuttering friar
that makes our Law false.
- 2ND SOLDIER He is, without were, *doubt*
to the Devil full dear.
Spit we all together
450 and buffet him als. *also*
- 3RD SOLDIER (*spitting*)
Ye heard in this place now,
how he lied has now.
full in his face now
foul will I smear him.
- 4TH SOLDIER (*spitting*)
455 He must go through his paces now.
For he makes himself God now,
gets he no grace now
when I may outwit him.
- 1ST SOLDIER (*delivering a blow*)
460 Fie upon thee, freak!
Stoop now and creak.
Thy brains to break
prepared
am I ready boun.

505 that was with him in the garden.
I know it to be true!

PETER It is not true I tell thee.
I know him not by any degree.

1st SOLDIER One of them thou art assuredly,
510 and thou art also of Galilee.
The speech clearly betrayeth thee
in witness of us all.

PETER In faith and truth, that is not so.
Shame have I, and much woe,
515 if ever I did him before know
or keep him company.

[Jesus looks at Peter; Peter in despair runs away; the procession to Pilate goes off.]