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Amesbury Song

I sing to Christ that loveliest babe
That ever in a womb was made
For never in my womb shall be
A child to grace eternity.

A maid came I from my father's hand,
And brought with me my father's land
And all his goods unto the throne
But maiden never came I home.

A wife came I to my husband's bed,
Who took from me my maidenhead.
But lay I then far from the throne
And good wife never came I home.

A queen came I to Camelot
Where I was queen and then I was not,
Where I loved the king but not the throne,
And as queen never came I home.

A nun came I to Amesbury
And brought my shame and joy with me.
But till I kneel before the throne
Of God this cell shall be my home.

I sing to Christ that loveliest babe
That ever in a womb was made,
For never in my womb shall be
A child to grace eternity.

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