

Second Son

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Second sons are the wandering ones
so we were the best of friends.
I never felt more like myself
than when I stood beside him then.
He lived out on the Lisgar Ridge
on top of the rocks and sand.
He spent his days making ways
of bringing water to his land.

Out of the blue when I came to you
I brought my cross and chain.
I watched you paint your canvas
out there standing in the rain.
So many nights I saw the light
that you held in your hands.
You never said that much to me
but I came to understand.

And one night
just around midnight
we were drunk and singing songs.
I said my life goes by
and I'm so afraid to die
you said everything is right before your eyes
but when it changes now don't you be surprised.

When God looked down upon His land
He saw the lakes and trees.
He said I've made my peace
but next time I'd do it differently.
I'll never forget the night they came

to tell me that you'd be gone.
I wondered where the light would come from now
to carry on.

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