Green sleeves

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Alas, my love, you do me wrong To cast me off discourteously For I have loved you well and long Delighting in your company

Greensleeves was all my joy Greensleeves was my delight Greensleeves was my heart of gold And who but my lady greensleeves

Your vows you've broken, like my heart Oh, why did you so enrapture me? Now I remain in a world apart But my heart remains in captivity

I have been ready at your hand To grant whatever you would crave I have both wagered life and land Your love and good-will for to have

If you intend thus to disdain It does the more enrapture me And even so, I still remain A lover in captivity

My men were clothed all in green And they did ever wait on thee; All this was gallant to be seen

Thou couldn't desire no earthly thing But still thou hadst it readily Thy music still to play and sing; And yet thou wouldst not love me

Well, I will pray to God on high That thou my constancy mayst see And that yet once before I die Thou wilt vouchsafe to love me

Ah, Greensleeves, now farewell, adieu To God I pray to prosper thee For I am still thy lover true Come once again and love me