

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'
* * *

ahddeaaergifghofeaibaocame a
gnerheaioyniits htlkeesket
inotsfimir 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' aaelprsu' adeht'
* * *

ceaeaefabheehelfeaacdeaedeamh
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
* * *

ceaaedehtnahdeedaeeolerldhand
hheheriousaidtheecerres t at
plhgintos toie oetghuso
sonsrouru tnn pl ho wy
touwst t n ts
t yu

hotuy deghilst in' btu aceh in

ist nrtu asw horst deilv adn

adgiiinnoppst' ainv adn empty'

adn aceh' adeginpvt' cdekmo

him' in eht den eh adis:

" eehst aersy i aehv adestw' fi
* * *

aidaeeaceaaeeadhaeebaadcaaddif
dihehedhlhdhgihiaglaidechtin
hnmtpininiennprohnsimeeedn 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'
* * *
cfcldacfbcaeeceaeedaaaaahnaid
iheofedhnoeemgifeeyndmdis i
thoorlioothpphiosl renin
woous oryus oorts g o
u u t wrs

beeemrr 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
* * *

caeeaaecee haddiddlliechaaed
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
* * *
aeeahaadcaefaealaeaahbeeeafee
hemeblaaeogficgmmieeandihennhn
hfmsendnshomenywinndnerlhtt
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
* * *
daaacaeiaadaeeadaadfalaeachand
deedehephnhafhemedehoteiohas
helolmerinopinepeisslrhvoun
hosrsof oupvtrerlrtto 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
* * *

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

ehs eknw his ghhottu:

"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
* * *

hhegkaaeadaeadeeeedoeade and
iinhleefeiliehileheevhell
sms nietlfislthitglitwril
tot pmmwshr wtlothmtw wls
wow unt ns wrsuon wry
ty r o t

ehnt acem envy ehnt
acdeinortt ehnt aclmny ehnt
aeht ehnt ceeinoprstu ehnt
deinors' chhiw is eht
beggiinnn fo eht den adn alst
fo all acem ipty' chhiw is eht
* * *
baeaacacamefeceeccadhcandheae
degelcihenehihheieehiehyislhn
derinioienonpihnthniomn t tnst
hetisltmg wptrsy stlun t
oftn ntno vtt uwn
th r n y t

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

Chapter IV

"cehoos ety aagin" it asw eht
afiry's ceiov
"otw fgist aeimnr' adn do not
adeiprs' in eht beggiinnn
eehrt asw btu eno ahtt asw
* * *
daeoageasebcagaibegaadidasnohe
fchoeiiftiirehaie thin nas tt
teiposr vonuemenn int wg
hsry s yst t o n nt wo
twr w t

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

denps' adenqrsu' 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'
* * *

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

all aceehmnnstt fo eht

iiprst' all ceemnnosttt fo

eht bdoy ahtt amn dhlos ader'

i illw buy' buy' buy'

cdeeeefnr' ceeprst' eemst'

hioprs w eervy bccehiknp acegr
* * *

aeebecbaehabnmacbchbdcedeaace
dhfieidcalleconeefmeekegfr
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 eefhoorrt'

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 aegrrt'

adn eh asw agntu adn anw adn

hllow deey' adn cdehlot in
* * *

aadaeecaabdgaadaaedeabaandan
ahdeefiegeenhanhealegaedeand
hhiehrohmeistenmscnomemesiso
snklownortwyrthnsnhnytt
tolvy rys uwt tw ttrr
t r w w

-----'; --- eh asw agginw a dry

-----:
crstu adn bgilmmnu

"-----'-----'
cersu all eht dlorw s fgist'

-----!
for ceekmors adn ddegil eils

-----'
adn acdeillms' eervy eno ehty

-----'
aer not fgist' btu eelmry

* * *

aadrmeaaaifedbabdegaedediaidey
acesmiacdheheheangldlieeyftery
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 degiissu for

-----'
agilnst aeiiilrst ainp'

-----'
efgir' aehms' eoprtvy eht

-----'; -- -- --
afiry adis ertu' in all ehr

* * *

faidfnaacaaeeeeeenaaelbher
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'

ademopr hitw ahtt abeeilmnst

* * *

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

eno' ahtt ader adn eestw adn

-----'
diklly eno' ahtt eepsst in

adeelmrss adn deginru eelps

eht ainps ahtt ceeprstu eht

-----'
bdoy' adn eht aehmss adn

efgirs ahtt aet eht dimn adn

* * *

bhdafaaadaaeaaaaadeecaediaed
diedllenhedhahehdheeeendlahd
gneemshnn thdrsnemringne ene
koeyprios tnettprsrssniss 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

ddeersv: eht annotw ilnstu fo

dlo aeg."

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dedaafedemabeewaetohaeesilt of
lefergeotrehen mnu nhin us
olhttmir evl yo w vt
oh vns t
ws o