

Christ. \*

Over the earth & over the river  
 I'm known to man as the greatest sinner;  
 But those crumbled bricks in my hand,  
 Which only the Prophets understand.

And the sad stairs still  
 And the heart, asunder,  
 Beats, momentarily, like the river;  
 And craves for  
 And then they pass  
 And, naked, I stretch  
 On the cold, green grass,  
 Then open my hands to look for flesh,  
 But lo, it's gone as I draw new breath.

The Star

\* The very essence of your heart was mine;  
 I bathed in it & it suffused my being.  
 It bore me onward to the golden shrine  
 Where I worshipped you, until, at last,  
 I ventured from the radiant light of you  
 Into the night, alone, my heart, alone,  
 Chambered in rocks & from the night of you  
 I was saved