

Man Is an Island

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Man is an island: sadly adrift,
Wand'ring forever, while continents shift.
He came out of nowhere, no shirt on his back,
Armed for survival, no plan of attack...He went to the mountain, he went to the sea;
He cried for protection, but begged to be free.
He fell on that mountain, he drowned in the sea --
Blind to the order, death to the harmony. Nature's his rival, nature's his friend;
In the beginning there was no end.
God is his island -- He made the sun,
Nature, mankind as one...Man is an island: sadly adrift,
Wand'ring forever, while continents shift.
God is his island -- He made the sun,
Nature, mankind as one. God is his island -- He made the light!
Man on his island waits for the end of night. In the beginning there was no end...

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