**St Paul**  
An enemy whom God has made a friend,  
A righteous man discounting righteousness,  
Last to believe and first for God to send,  
He found the fountain in the wilderness.  
Thrown to the ground and raised at the same moment,  
A prisoner who set his captors free,  
A naked man with love his only garment,  
A blinded man who helped the world to see,  
A Jew who had been perfect in the Law,  
Blesses the flesh of every other race  
And helps them see what the apostles saw -  
The glory of the Lord in Jesus' face.  
Strong in his weakness, joyful in his pains,  
And bound by Love, who freed him from his chains.

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