

李 白 將進酒

君不見,黃河之水天上來,奔流到海不復回。君不見,高堂明鏡悲白髮,朝如青絲暮成雪。人生得意須盡歡,莫使金樽空對月。 天生我材必有用,千金散盡還復來。 烹羊宰牛且為樂,會須一飲三百杯。 為夫子,丹丘生,將進酒,杯莫停。 與君歌一曲,請君為俄耳聽。 鐘鼓饌玉不足貴,但願長醉不復醒。 古來聖賢皆寂寞,惟有飲者留其名。 陳王昔時宴平樂,斗酒十千恣歡謔。 主人何為言少錢,徑須沽取對君酌。 五花馬,千金裘,呼兒將出換美酒, 與爾同銷萬古愁。

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Inviting to Drink (translated by Vince Tsai)

Guess you'd see waters of Yellow River coming from above rushing to the sea with no return Guess you'd grieve to see reflection from main hall mirror your hair black in morn yet snow white in eve Seize the moment of jubilee, and don't let the glasses be empty in moonshine The talented is destined to be utilized and the fortune spent would soon be reimbursed Slaughter the cattle and goat and let us banquet, drinking 300 glasses in high spirit Dear friends of mine, cheer up, don't stop I will sing you a song, please lend me your ears Will such rare and costly dishes be treasured in the end? I 'd rather be drunk , awakened never All great sages in old times left unnoticed whereas capable drinker's names remembered King Chen's feast in Taoist temple, tons of wine cost thousand coins been greatly enjoyed Don't worry about the bill, just you buy enough wines for us to drink Have the lad sell the precious horse and coats of fur worth thousands , in exchange of wines best Let's bottom up to cast aside long-lasting sorrow.