

Thomas Didymus

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When Mary Magdalene said she'd seen
the Lord it was strangely disappointing
One of the worst women saved from the street
to have been first I knew it must be true
that's just what he would do but then
when I was the only one to fight fear
& search for myself the others lagging behind
it was like the soldier's spear went right through
me too when I returned to hear
the others bragging (that was the worst)
that I was the only one not to have been there
not to have seen where his hands were pierced
I went into denial *I won't believe* I said
Anything less than my fingers in his wounds
won't be enough My words sounded odd
to my ears A week later I was among
them when he appeared & called my bluff
My Lord & my God Conviction rolled off my tongue