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Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening by Robert Frost

Whose woods these are I think I know.

His house is in the village though;

He will not see me stopping here

To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer

To stop without a farmhouse near

Between the woods and frozen lake

The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake

To ask if there is some mistake.

The only other sound's the sweep

Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep,

But I have promises to keep,

And miles to go before I sleep,

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The Me Hidden Within by Michael Saunders

This season is the time for happiness and cheer,
But look through my eyes and you will see a tear.

The words that I speak are never to be heard,
And all I want from you is your promising word.

No one ever listens to a word that I say,
All I need is for someone to point me into the traveling way.

Having no one to talk to makes the anger build within,
So I think hard and loud knowing I need to raise my chin.

I fight with myself all the time,
Wanting to do something but knowing it's a crime.

I just want all this anger within me to just come out,
I have this huge urge just to shout.

I just want to release the real me from being hidden within,
Sometimes I think all the things I do are a sin.

Please help release the me hidden within.

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The Man Who Thinks He Can by Walter D. Wintle

If you think you are beaten, you are;

 If you think you dare not, you don't.

If you'd like to win, but think you can't

 It's almost a cinch you won't.

If you think you'll lose, you've lost,

 For out in the world we find

Success being with a fellow's will;

 It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you're outclassed, you are:

 You've got to think high to rise.

You've got to be sure of yourself before

 You can ever win a prize.

Life's battles don't always go

 To the stronger or faster man,

But soon or late the man who wins

 Is the one who thinks he can.