The Messenger

Volume 2005 Issue 1 The Messenger, 2005

Article 30

2005

Beloved

Stephanie A. Tolliver-Osborne

Follow this and additional works at: http://scholarship.richmond.edu/messenger



Part of the Poetry Commons

Recommended Citation

Tolliver-Osborne, Stephanie A. (2005) "Beloved," The Messenger: Vol. 2005: Iss. 1, Article 30. $A vailable\ at: http://scholarship.richmond.edu/messenger/vol2005/iss1/30$

This Poetry is brought to you for free and open access by UR Scholarship Repository. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Messenger by an authorized administrator of UR Scholarship Repository. For more information, please contact scholarshiprepository@richmond.edu.

What woman doesn't want to be a Laura, or a Beatrice, or a Juliet, immortalized by words penned in utmost admiration and never to be matched by another female because comparison is futile? What woman couldn't handle the hardship and turmoil of sitting under a cascading shower of rose petals and lilies and treading so magically over the grass that small daisies spring up between her feet? What woman would refuse the task of leading men's souls through a psychological journey to GOD by simply being-by existing as nothing but a living aestheticism of poetic utterance? Only a real one. And if we're all real when will we stop trying to be a beloved and just be happy to be loved?