

Through the Forest

Poised for destiny and duty

The swordsman took up arms and set out wayfaring through the Enchanted Forest, in search of
The River Queen.

Desperately in need of Mystical Advice.

After 3 days of determined search

He came upon an irregular perch

Overlooking a valley and knew

He found his destination

The swordsman shifted his scabbard

And marched forward w/ a dignified smile.

The River Queen; The Oracle

Was patiently awaiting the expected arrival

Ready w/ a blazing fire & tea on the table Not of this realm but she enjoyed its luxuries

Just the same as any maiden.

He set foot to her door pressed for time

Seeking wisdom from the divine

Before he could reach his knuckles to rap

The door creaked open & a voice beckoned

"Won't you come in, sit by the warm hearth;

This place is lovely, my favorite on this Earth

She knew what he traveled to seek

The man pursed his lips but need not speak

"You wish to know if you possess heart and courage to carry out your quest & succeed your
journey. The answer is both yes & no

Although one might supersede the other".

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