The Lump

Man was created to love and protect His woman and offspring To slay the dragon, bring home the bacon And other manly things And he works hard, if he's truly a man, With precious little rest But how does he handle the news that his woman Has found a lump in her breast?

A man's mind looks for solutions and answers

To the problems which come his way So he feels a bit scared if he doesn't know The right thing to do or say And many men, when they are scared Just don't know how to express The fright and indecision inside To the woman they love best

So maybe they pull away from her Or throw themselves into their work Or maybe they act short-tempered and harsh

Like a cold, hard-hearted jerk They're not used to dragons you can't slay with a gun Or smash with a big machine

But all of a sudden they have to face What a little lump might mean

He tells his woman it's just a cyst Or the mammogram caused a blur But he's probably trying to convince himself As much as he is her But he gets a frigid, sinking feeling Somewhere deep inside Though he will never let her know He's really terrified Because she's his anchor, this woman he loves She's his reality And he knows he'll never find another He could love so totally And what about the kids they've made? Can they make it without their Mom? Should he keep the secret hidden from them Or should he drop the bomb?

Then she asks him, "if they operate, Will you love and want me, still?" He hides any doubts or fears he has And says, "of course, I will!" But he has to deal with his own self-doubt He's the only one who can And he has to face the beast with a smile Because that's the way of a man.

He said, "in sickness and in health" When he took her for his bride So though this battle must be hers He'll fight it at her side Now, as he kneels in prayer tonight The night before her test, He fights tears and fears, because that's what you do When your woman finds a lump in her breast.

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