

**Silhouette**

by Langston Hughes

Southern gentle lady  
Do not swoon.  
They've just hung a black man  
In the dark of the moon.

They've hung a black man  
To a roadside tree  
In the dark of the moon  
For the world to see  
How Dixie protects  
Its white womanhood.

Southern gentle lady,  
Be good!  
Be good!