Body Love, Pt. 2

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I know I am because I said I am
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My body is home
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So try this

Take your hands over your bumpy lovebody naked And remember the first time you touched someone With the sole purpose of learning all of them.

Touched them because the light was pretty on them
And the dust in the sunlight danced the way your heart did
Touch yourself with a purpose

Your body is the most beautiful royal Fathers and uncles are not claiming your knife anymore

Are not your razor, no Put the sharpness back

Lay your hands flat and feel the surface of scarred skin
I once touched a tree with charred limbs

The stump was still breathing But the tops were just ashy remains

I wonder what it's like to come back from that Because sometimes I feel a forest fire erupting from my wrists And the smoke signals sent out are the most beautiful things

I've ever seen

Love your body the way your mother loved your baby feet And brother, arm wrapping shoulders, and remember This is important

You are worth more than who you fuck
You are worth more than a waistline

You are worth more than beer bottles displayed like drunken artifacts You are worth more than any naked body could proclaim in the shadows,

> More than a man's whim Or your father's mistake

You are no less valuable as a size 16, than a size 4
You are no less valuable as a 32a than a 36c
Your sexiness is defined by concentric circles within your wood
It is wisdom

You are a goddamn tree stump with leaves sprouting out

Reborn

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