## One of Us

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Before I got to fighting (or when fighting got to me) I looked to find examples on the field of chivalry I saw mighty arms much stronger than my arms would ever be And I thought perhaps the field was not for me

But I stayed and watched the fighting 'til one figure stood apa rt In armour newly fashioned and a helm more pot than art But each blow was thrown with honour and a lightness of the hea rt So I took that step which soon became a start

'Cause she was not the biggest fighter nor one to raise a fuss But I remember being proud that she was one of us And we might never stand together in the shieldwall side by side But because of her I lift my sword with pride

She was ladylike and lively, not the type you would expect With a braver heart than many and a slot-shot to respect I guess she'd once decided this was where she'd like to be And I thought if she could do it, why not me

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So now as I gather armour, bits and pieces here and there, I think about examples: how you act, and what you dare 'Cause you never know who's watching or how far the story goes And where'er that Lady is I hope she knows

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