

## Emerald Rose

### "Four Jacks"

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When mother is aslumbering beneath her shawl of  
white  
And you wrap your cloak against the wind but still you  
Feel it's bite  
With many mouths at home to feed this deer must not  
be  
Lost  
When you thank the prey and let the arrow fly  
You become Jack frost.

When the maiden slips her samite cloak revealing lilac  
Breasts  
And the rising sun climbing high in the sky calls  
Acorns to their quest  
When hoof trod earth surrenders to seed and the  
Meadowsweet is queen  
When you step the jig of furrow and plow  
You celebrate Jack Green

Chorus:  
Jack, Jack, dancing round the moonlight  
Changing shadows with every stride  
Jack, Jack, summer green and Yule white  
Hunter, Dancer, Dying One, Guide

When summer oak green wanes scarlet and brown and  
a  
Carpet of leaves is laid  
Mother's kiss has charged the land and staghorns  
drape

The glade  
The fields are tall with sacrifice for springtimes  
Still unborn  
Raise the crescent high, cut down the grain  
And call upon Jack Corn

Chorus

When the riddled fields are gathered and gleaned  
from

The shadow of a killing freeze  
And twilights fall to copper moons that dance with  
Barren trees  
When comes the final harvest home beneath the silver  
Light  
When weary feet tread that dusky road  
Jack Lantern walks the night

Chorus

I'm no tawny hunter, no tiller of barley seed  
I've never threshed a stalk of wheat but I've still a  
Family to feed  
When I feel whelmed over with provider on my back  
I tilt my head back, howl his howl  
Smile his secret grin  
And call on Jack  
Callin' on Jack  
I'm callin' on Jack

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