

## **DESMOND**

Desmond was a nasty dragon,  
Bad tempered, blowing smoke and flame.  
He quarrelled with everyone,  
And even hated his own name.

The villagers who lived in his thrall,  
Went in fear and dread.  
One cross word to Desmond,  
Would heap wrath upon their head.

One day a knight rode up to him,  
Intent to maim or slay.  
Instead he talked and talked to Desmond,  
Which passed the entire day.

“Desmond! Change your wicked ways,  
Behave better and don’t be mean”.  
This he did successfully  
Using tolerance as his theme.

### **Moral**

So if you have dragons  
Lurking in your life,  
Face them down, sort them out  
It would save a lot of strife.

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