

Themes

- Abortion is wrong
 - destroys potential (another Jesus?) (a gift from God)
 - they were rich - had no reason apart from it was inconvenient

Narrator - the unborn child

TITLE
Isaiah 9.6 "For unto us a child is born,"

'UNTO US...'

unfinished quotation
Made love or had sex?

Somewhere at sometime
They committed themselves to me

Repetition for emphasis

And so, I was!
Small, but I WAS!

Alliteration Joy at being conceived

Tiny in shape
Lusting to live

safety security (metaphor)

I hung in my pulsing cave.

Soon they knew of me

My mother - my father

feels love already

I had no say in my being

I lived on trust

And love

Tho' I couldn't think

Each part of me was saying

A silent, "Wait for me

I will bring you love!"

unable to fight back

I was taken

Blind, naked defenceless

By the hand of one

Whose good name

Was graven on a brass plate

In Wimpole Street,

And dropped on the sterile floor

Of a foot operated plastic waste bucket.

There was no Queens Counsel

To take my brief.

The cot I might have warmed

Stood in Harrods shop window.

When my passing was told

My father smiled

No grief filled my empty space

My death was celebrated

With two tickets to see Danny La Rue

Who was pretending to be a woman

Like my mother was.

Bitter at being aborted (betrayed)

no legal redress. A 'thing' not a 'human'

She had no more right to call herself a woman than a drag queen.

STRUCTURE - continuous monologue of 35 lines

A feeling, an earnest desire, a want

no rights to live, had to hope parents wanted him

Turning Point

Good reputation but does evil things

It removed an inconvenience

PURPOSE - to make reader sympathise with narrator / foetus and therefore disagree with abortion

ORGANISATION - 35 line continuous monologue

EMOTIVE TONE - 1-16 happy 17-35 angry and bitter

TECHNIQUES - metaphor repetition alliteration

INDIVIDUAL WORDS - I was, I WAS! Lived on trust 'Had no say' 'dropped'

CONTRAST - Joy of new life which is destroyed. Contrast is in narrator's feelings before/after turning point.