

## Dressing your Soul

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Your two braids, falling  
down your new chest,  
the chest you sculpted  
as your own

from the DNA given you

the body  
you made  
your own, your body  
dresses your soul.

You wrap yourself in the weavings  
that flow  
and adorn  
you.

Twist your hair into the plaited  
decoration  
of you  
and your ancestors.