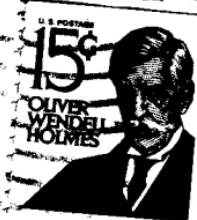


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Hi Babe,

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How are you? You sounded real good to me last night on the phone!

I'm sorry that I cried like that - I had no intention of doing that. I am a weak person, but the Lord gives me strength so in my weakness I am made strong & I know I can endure anything with the Lord with me and behind me - just surrounding me always. I thank God that you are so strong in this. I don't think you're cold at all Hon - really I don't - I'm not usually that much of a mess - honest.

Forgive me for my immaturity Henry. By the way, sorry - I owe you 60¢ from the phone call. I assume the operator checked with him if it was alright if she charged it to you.

I was just thinking how impossible things would be without the Lord. Neither of us would have the strength to be apart - except we know you are to be there - it's His will and now we can have a peace because of Him and look to Him for our future plans - whatever they are. I think that I'm just starting to learn now how to put my total trust in Him - because I'm not sure of my future [REDACTED] (whether near or far future) I have to rely totally on Him - to keep you safe and help you in your work, to get me through each day, and guide both our futures. And I like it! I'm surprised that as I

trust in Him I feel totally secure. I had been feeling insecure because I didn't know what would happen next, but now it's exciting to see what the Lord will do - since I'm trusting in Him - I just must wait to see the results. It's neat. That's the thing I've learned through our separation & I'm sure it will continue even when we are together because it will even be neater then - we can both trust together and it will be more exciting. I really love you Henry - and I know you love me (I knew it even before I called you last night) I know you care about me a lot and I know you want me. I'm really happy about it too. The Lord is keeping us really close. I can't even begin to see how that works - just cause I'm always praying for you - I feel closer to you. Wow!!

I'm just so excited about all this and my new discovered cap hardly write fast enough. I must tell you about today. When I woke up, I felt like I couldn't even get out of bed and face the day cause I missed you so much. But I prayed - really hard - for the Lord's power & the filling of His Spirit in me and my day was so so good. I was so happy and 'content' even doing

things I normally didn't like doing. It wasn't like I was overjoyed and 'phony' kind of happy but I felt satisfied and the Lord was with me all day, whatever I did. I felt real close to the Lord and he was guiding me all day. ~~Mom~~ asked Him to in the morning and ~~Mom~~ trusted him to do it. He didn't even have to ask any people to make me happy (sometimes He does that) but it was just Him making me happy. Just Him! He is sufficient. Phil 4:11 For I have learned to be content in whatever circumstance I am. Whatever circumstance (even without Henry here with me now). Such a lesson to learn.

Hey, I already sold one of your books. In fact these I took them up to school and that night someone called me and picked it up today, 'Making of an Economy'. It had been \$8.95 and I sold it for \$7.00. She was pleased with it. I'll give you the money when you come home Oct 7 or if you want - I can send it to you. Let me know. Hope I can sell all of them for you. When I went up to your school I thought of that sports banquet we went to there. Dave Miles is going there this year. Some of your books went up from last year so I knocked off a few dollars from the new price so now you can get more.

Your camping trip with Chris & Ed sounds like so much fun. They're so kind to invite you with them. I'm sure they enjoyed having you. I saw Mrs. Wofford tonight and I thanked her for going to see you and buying you lunch. They're all really neat people. Sometime soon I'm going to go over and visit with her. I really feel lonely for Chris. I miss her a lot. She's so easy to talk with and I just like being around her. Guess she's busy lately with school and all. When you talk to her tell her I miss her. I just wish I lived closer to her so I could talk to her and do things with her. Cheryl Taylor is back from camp now and I enjoyed talking to her tonight. We're going to play racquetball this winter I'm sure. How's your racquetball coming along? I'm sure you're the star! I liked talking to your aunt the other day when I was at your house. She really thinks your slides are good and so do I - such beautiful pictures of the falls. And L.D. Heide who, by the way is doing good

Your aunt's letter that you sent me is so very nice. It almost makes you cry. I love her.

When I talked to Sue Leason she says Cook County Hospital is some place. She says you'll have lots of stories to tell. When you come home.

I was working with a patient today Rita Brueker - who has had MS for about 20 years now. We're exercising her and starting to ambulate her in the parallel bars. Well, she's doing real good and if she has encouragement she does so good. She can't pull her legs through (yet) but she really tries and is so happy when she accomplishes something. I always get Mal excited for her when she takes a step! It helps her too, when she knows someone's rooting for her.

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Today, as I was running - it was so beautiful outside. Everything was just showing God's glory. The sky was so neat and the trees are pretty. It just made me wanna keep running & running.

Your letters are so great. I read them so many times - you can be sure you got your 15¢ worth when you send me a letter. Glad to know you're getting along with your roommate so well. Sounds like you both have a lot in common. I'm also thanking the Lord that you like all your teachers. So many answers to prayer. Thanks for all the stuff you send me - little presents. That mail must be huge. Did you go there yet? I will continue to pray for you as you study. I realize it must be hard - but I know that the Lord will sustain you - besides you being so intelligent.

"Whatever you do, do you work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men. knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve." Col. 3:23-24.

30 more days till I see my babe. Can't wait! (4 weeks sends closer).

I love you, Henry. Thank you for caring about me so much. You are always in my prayers. Thank you for being obedient to the Lord. I'm glad His will is that important to you. I love you more for it. and I'm loving you more each day.

I better be quiet now or you'll never get your work done. Bye.

Yours to learn
on Jesus.
Valerie

Pray that God will
teach you something
real special from
His Word each day.

P.S. I LOVE YOU!