

TUES NIGHT 9/19

Dear Henry

I love you so very much, such a nice letter you wrote ^{10:56 PM} to

me which I got today. Thank you so much for your prayers for me while I was running. Such concentrated prayers,

persistent and fervent. You sure did pray without ceasing. I was off your finishing time by 13 minutes. Hope I didn't

let you down. Glad to hear you'll make sure I stay in shape - that means I'll be with you right? I sure do hope so. Such

a drag without you here. You're such a ~~writing person~~ and with you here - I can be doing nothing and not be bored.

And besides that, you're so very handsome. I miss those big, brown eyes of yours with such a loving, forgiving look. I feel so safe

and secure in your arms. I really miss your touch. I really long to hold you and touch you all over and have you touch me

all over just being quiet with each other. I long to kiss you and just have your body wrapped around mine. I'm getting so

excited about you coming home - I know I won't be able to sleep Thurs. night knowing you'll be here soon. You're so dear to me, but

I'll never ever let you go (that is go from me forever - don't get scared - you'll get back to school - I won't try to talk you into that)

you are my whole life babe - let's live it together and never part.

Wed 9/20/78

Babe, how are you. Pray you're doing fine. This is your afternoon

off. Are you roaming around Chicago right now. Last night, I

saw pictures of Chicago at Fred + Sue's. I was looking at their wedding album. They got married right along the lake and in the background I could see all the skyscrapers. Fred pointed out where moody would

be and he showed me (the water tower). It was neat cause now I know how it looks where you're at. It was good to be with Fred +

Sue last night after having a summer day at work. While I was walking a pt. who had a total knee replacement, he passed in front

I caught him and a nurse (who I grabbed as she walked by) helped me lower him to the floor. He was using a walker which was

hard to get out of the way. Anyway, he wasn't hurt at all. Such a big man (220 lbs) I couldn't have held him up. He said he didn't

even ~~know~~ feel it coming on. I'm glad I was holding on to him, even though he didn't need any support while he was walking.

Anyway, the doctor (Dr Bylander) came and checked him out before we got him up. She really chewed me out (right in front of the patient

as he was laying on the floor. She said that it was incompetent of me to get him up so fast - I should let him sit on the bed longer before

he stood (I honestly did, too Her - he sat up for about 5 minutes before she said because it was his first day walking - I always do that). I told

her I did but she didn't seem to believe me. Then when I went to do him in the afternoon, his wife was there and when I walked

she said 'Is this the one?' I felt weird. She lectured me about how he should not get up too quick (He must have told her what Dr Bylander

I did wrong). anyway, glad it's over and he wasn't hurt. No one else came to Fred + Sue's for bible study so we didn't study - instead we just talk

and shared a lot. They're easy to talk with. we had popcorn and wine

Today is my day off. I had an enjoyable day. I cleaned, washed dishes, ironed and baked - generally played the role of housekeeper. It was fun. In between the baking + ironing I ran 5 miles. Such a beautiful day it is today - sunny + warm (upper 70's) as I was running - I really thanked the Lord for His creation.

I took my car in this morning (the oil was leaking out really heavy lately). Anyway - it was a ~~leak~~ leak in the oil filter. He had it all tabulated for me to pay 10⁰⁰ for changing the oil filter and adding 2 quarts of oil and labor but I told him they had just changed all that at 1,000 mile check-up. He gave me a little hassle, but then my dad walked in the thing and then he said it was their fault. My dad says they should have checked it when they changed it to see if there was a leak. But, anyway, I'm relieved that it's OK.

Tonight at prayer meeting, I saw John Butch from C.O.H. He was talking with the young people tonight + he's being considered for a full time youth pastor at faith. He has an interview coming up soon and he asked for prayer about it. He said he had wanted to write to you, but didn't know your last name. (I gave it to him)

Everyone was asking me to participate on sports

weekend on Oct 6-7 but I said that my whole weekend was gonna be spent with you. I could never go out and be on that knowing that I could be with you. There's no comparison.

There's no comparison between you and anyone else - NONE. You are so neat and you are mine - all mine. I won't settle for anything less than you. You mean so much to me. Well, I must be going now. By the way, did you know that Oct 14 is National Jogging Day. All race finishers will receive a certificate of award from the National Jogging Association. So you better run on Oct 14 cause it's a national holiday. I wanna run that race so bad. I hope I can get off. It says that the course is all macadam so yesterday + today I ran on macadam. I noticed my knees hurt a little more while I ran. You well - gotta get used to it.

I thank my God always concerning you, for the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus; that in everything you were enriched in Him, in all speech and all knowledge, even as the testimony concerning Jesus Christ was confirmed in you, so that you are not lacking in any gift, awaiting eagerly the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ who shall also confirm you to the end, blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
I Cor 4-8