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Babe,

I'm writing to you from Easton High School - Vicki's in the school now trying out for Districts. I'm just waiting out in the car here. It's raining here now and it sounds peaceful to hear it on the roof. Makes me think of you and the night you came home. I know how much you like thunder to listen to it.

I got a letter from you today and I really enjoyed it. It was really special. I like to hear about all you're doing. Sometimes just looking at your handwriting makes me cry - I miss you so much.

I know what you mean about quiet times. I'll pray for you that you'll be able to make time. It takes discipline to do it, but once you get into it - you're really blessed by it. That book on quiet times is really good. It's neat when you put the whole day in the Lord's hands - then you know whatever happens that day is what He wanted - whatever circumstances. Then I try to find what He's teaching me through it.

Today, I washed my car - then it rained. It was so dirty though. I decided not to take my car in for that checkup cause my dad says it's not necessary. What do you think?

My ankle feels much better this morning but then I was walking around at Hess's Smith today and it started to hurt much more. Guess that puts running off another day.

I'm really excited about Thanksgiving

Coming up. It'll be great to be with you again
I love you more everyday. I'm always talking
about you. You are so neat. I love everything
about you, babe. You meet up to everything
I ever wanted. Oh, I wanted it just kiss you
& kiss you & kiss you all weekend.

I worked in the garden a little bit -
pulling out tomato plants. I like working in the
dirt. Maybe someday, we could have a garden
of our own and I could do canning and we
could have fresh vegetables every night.

You should have seen Heidi today while
I washed the car. She loves the water.
She's gonna be another Gretchen. She was
jumping up to the water.

I slept till 10:00 today. Did that ever
feel good? It's been a while since I could
sleep in like that. Bet it's been even longer
for you.

So, are you adjusting to your changed
lifestyle? You're probably not easily bored
cause everything's so new to you. Do you
think you'll be a counselor at C.O.H this summer?
I was just thinking about that & remembered
that you said you might do that again. At
least then you'll be closer. Please don't

ever let me stop you from doing what you
want & what the Lord wants. I really want
whatever's best & right for you. It made me
sad when you said that you were crying because
you knew how much I missed you when you were
gone. I don't want to be a burden to you in any
way, babe. I want to see you very happy
and content. Don't worry about me here, I'm doing
fine, babe - honestly. The Lord is taking care of me
and giving me strength until I can be with you
however long that is. Love is patient? endures
all things - hopes all things - believes all
things. I love you, Henry!

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Hon,

Hi. It's a nice clear brisk day outside. What a day to come into work. Tonight, we're supposed to get heavy frost and it's supposed to get really cold. I'm ready for it - I got out my freaky afghan.. you know, the one I made for Chris. Well, it sure is warm even if it is one big mistake. I want to bury snow this week so I'm ready for snow. You're right, you are my little piggy - but you look great! I was totally impressed with you. Love your form, babe! Can't get enough of you and your love. And you make me feel so complete - I can't explain it, but I feel like a total person when I'm with you. It must be because you respect me and are always complementing me. You make me feel pretty when you keep ~~telling~~ me I am. You understand me so well - I love it. You're so sensitive to my needs. I never have to ask - you just know and give. It's the neatest thing - being in love with you. The greatest!!!

I'm working in intensive care today. It's a big responsibility - they can't do any care for themselves - including rolling over. ~~My~~ My patients are all unresponsive + on respirators but I know they can hear me so I talk to them and try to comfort them. I really pray that I can be a comfort to them and make sure they have everything they need. It's just me and the Lord today. It's next!

Just got home and got another letter from you. Neat!
I enjoyed reading your testimony and just realizing all
that the Lord used for you to come to him. It's really
neat. Thanks for sending it + also for sending directions
to the pinnacle I'll probably go up there next weekend.
Can't wait!

I like your little diagram on our relationship
with the Lord + each other. I totally agree with
what you wrote and am confident that we will
stay close with the Lord even when we get back
together. I wouldn't want to go back to the old
even though we did have such great times together.
It still wasn't in the Lord's control + that's what
messes so many things up for myself + for you.
I see so many things now that I didn't see
before and I just knew it was God's grace +
mercy that kept you loving me. I feel I don't
deserve such a great gift as you - but the Lord sees
fit I'm so grateful for you - you are so very special
& precious to me Henry.

2 Chron 6:9

for the eyes of the Lord move to and
from throughout the earth that He may
strongly support those whose heart
is completely His.

Loving you,
Malene