

Ken,

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Well, here I am back to the old routine at work with you on my mind every second. Actually, it's not exactly the same routine - it's snowing outside! At 10<sup>00</sup>, we had 2 inch already. It's pretty and peaceful out. My car worked good this morning. ~~few~~ parts of the road were slippery, but it wasn't too bad. My rear ~~st~~ dog doesn't work though - it hasn't since I first used it - I'll have to tell them about it when I take it in for inspection. We're supposed to get 2-5" today turning to freezing rain later. I'm wondering if you got there O.K. or if you had any snow on the way. I called your mom to tell her you got off O.K. last night and I asked her to call me when she hears from you.

I'll be keeping myself busy till you come home with Christmas shopping. Also, this Friday is the tennis party at Vantage point. That should be fun. I imagine, there will be all sorts of Christmas parties soon. I'm am looking forward to our retreat together so very much. I just know we'll have a great time together and with all the other kids. I bet you're anxious to see Dwight!

I might have an opportunity to go to AOH for a course (seminar) on stroke rehabilitation on ~~oops!~~ Sat - Dec 9 - I have off. There will be 4 doctors speaking on the subject. It costs \$100<sup>00</sup> but the hospital (AOH) would pay for it. Babe, I'm really concerned about your knee. If you want to have the surgery over Christmas vacation, don't not do it cause of me! Wherever

you want it done, babe. Same goes for the summer if you want to have it done when you get home in May or June.

Babe, I just know the Lord will bless us because ~~we~~ ~~are~~ doing what He wants at this point. I hate to think ~~that~~ you feel guilty about being away from me. I honestly accept it - I just cry cause I'm sad leaving you, but not ~~to say you should stay cause of me.~~ He has allowed our relationship to grow into something really fine. I believe ~~that~~ He wants us together eventually and I'm willing to wait. I love you more everytime I see you, Henry. You were so good to me while you were home - you listened to me like never before. I could see that you were interested in my needs and respected my opinions. It was great! I'm not saying I want you to do what I say, quite the opposite in fact - Since you respect me and ~~what I say - you tell me what you want and I'm so~~ happy to please you in doing what you want. With you - I never feel like you're forcing me to do something - It's just in the way you treat me, that I'm so willing to do what you ask. I'm happy when I do it, in fact. You do it to me, babe. I'm really praying that I'll be so sensitive to ~~what~~ you want that you won't have to ask. I want to give my whole self to you, babe. You got it. I want our relationship to be exactly how the Lord intends it to be + planned it.

I think I'm starting to ramble. I must go do some work.  
I'll write more later. I sure do miss you, my little athlete.

Babe, I love you so much. You make me feel really complete.  
I miss you, a lot right now. Sure hope I'll last these next 21  
days with out you. I'll pray for you cause I know you'll have  
a lot of work to do. I'm thinking of you a lot. I'm glad  
I met Dave - now I know ~~what~~ you have to put up with  
(haha). No, really, you guys are good together.

I keep thinking of Friday night at the Parkway  
by the flowing stream under all those stars. It felt so good  
to have you hold me - you are so nice to hold. I was  
excited just to have you put your arms around me. You  
are my love, babe.

So let us know, let us press on to know the Lord  
His going forth is as certain as the dawn  
And He will come to us like the rain  
Like the spring rain watering the earth  
Hosea 6:3

I love everything about you !!

A Big Yes!

Valerie