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Hi.

Today was a beautiful day. Real clear. Spring is in the air. Even though it's cold, ~~but~~ it was sorta springy. Running was neat today. I'm still not running over 2 miles though - building back up gradually. Today, I went to the car wash (behind the Charcoal drive-in). Man, did my car ever need that! Looks good now. There was so much salt on it. I thought of you when I went through, how I wished you were there (soon!) I also cleaned my room - long needed.

I really feel convicted that Dad + both ought to be in the wedding too. I mean I really played about it + put it in His hands. Now everytime I think about it, I feel uneasy when I think of just Vic being in it. I don't really feel against it when I think about um all being bridesmaids. I know what I prefer + really would like, but I can give up my way. Besides, I don't want anybody to hate me. Just so you're there, my dear babe. I've been thinking lately about all we've done and been through together pretty much, huh? Yea, I miss our times together. I've esp. been thinking about our close, intimate times together - the way you respond to me when we're real close. That's how I always want it to be - you + me real close and

sharing all. That's the greatest. I can't wait to share all I've got with you. I want so much to make you happy and make you feel that with me is your home. I want to be your home, somewhere you can feel free to be what you want to be, to share your burdens and troubles and love. Well, I just dream a lot that we'll always be close and our relationship will be stimulating + motivating to other people. Sure it's a dream, but it can happen. - and it will. Also, babe, I need your help as I strive to be the kind of person God wants me to be.

... but I press on in order that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.'

I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet, but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind + reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.' Phil. 3: 12-14.

Babe, I want us both together to always seek out His will for us and then do it - to press on. I know now that I'm not all that He wants me to be, ~~and~~ and I need you - your fellowship and encouragement. Babe, I know you have a real ministry to me - teaching me from the Word, sharing my burdens, praying for me and constantly encouragement. I thrive on all you do for me. I'm just praying that I could also minister to you and love you. I'm just so excited about our

life together, I just know we'll be happy.  
Today in church, Paul Jungren spoke - real  
good. He'll be speaking tonight. Rocky's on  
Friday, too. ~~Remember me to~~ that I like  
that movie. Hope you had a good weekend.  
Sunday's week this week sounds good. Relax  
as much as you can now.

I smell like fresh air. Was just outside  
most of the afternoon. I played with Heidi.  
Cut branches + sawed wood for (the wood  
store (see, babe I'm useful to have around)  
Then I ran about 3 miles. Felt good - it's  
really beautiful out. Well, now to take a  
bath.

Babe, I really miss you a lot. I'm  
especially sad that I can't see you for  
your birthday and bake you a cake and  
sing to you and give you a present. Oh,  
babe I could cry - it's so hard being  
away from you. You are my love.  
Today, if you were here, we could be out  
playing frisbee and messin' around -  
mostly messin' around.

Till we're together,  
Valerie