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My darling little Wife,

Sweetheart, there is one verse you gave me that I think fits us perfectly. It is John 15:12 - "This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you." Darling, can there be any higher goal for our love of each other than the love of Christ for us? I think not. If it will be alright with you, let's use this verse as our life verse. What do you say? Concerning our hymn, do you think one of the two that I sent you ~~as~~ suitable? If so, howabout telling me which one you prefer most. You suggested a number of Bible verses and I chose one that you suggested. Also I have suggested some hymns; now you choose which you prefer. Alright?

Hey, how about your getting up at 11:30. You crazy little sleepy-head. And then you stay up to 1:00 A. M. Not only are you a sleepy-head, but you are a little bum. You know, they say, "Early to bed and early to rise makes you healthy, happy, and wise." Then I guess late to bed and late to rise must make you sickly, sad, and stupid. Hi stupid! Doris Rinell, when we wed, I intend to get up each morn at 5:00 o'clock. And I insist that you get up and make my breakfast. Ha, ha, are you worried. You shouldn't. With me, Darling, it will be lucky if I get up a 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon when you are in bed with me.

Hey, you had better just quit all that "bloney" about how handsome your hubbie is, what wonderful eyes he has, etc. You actually had me blushing. I am glad you think I'm pretty good looking though. But it's

only because you are in love. Yep, guess we each could do better as far as looks are concerned. But to me, Darling, you are the most beautiful girl in the world. That sounds like a lot, doesn't it? But, seriously I mean it. I love every part of you and long to be with you.

September 16

It is hard to find time to write these days. I have been busy registering and getting ready for school. Yesterday I had to go out to Wheaton again. I was there until about 3:45. Then I drove into the city and got at the factory at about 4:45 to pick up Dad. He gets out a 4:30, so I stopped at a drug store on the way to call him and tell him to wait. Then we drove home, had supper and went to the hospital. Mom wants to come home. But I think she is better off where she is. At home we cannot care for her. I will be at school from now on and Elaine has an awful lot of home-work. Mother would be alone all day with no one to care for her. Her stomach has not been too good and the hospital had not put her on the proper diet. So, last night her stomach was upset. She has lost a lot of weight. I think this is a good thing. She always has been heavy and now she is a little too old to carry so much weight. Just so she doesn't lose strength it will be alright. Well, in a few minutes I'll have to leave for school again to start my first day's classes. I have a heavy load this semester and will have to work hard. Be sure to pray that the Lord will give me strength. Darling, I must close for now. I want to include another note. I believe you had better start sending my mail to Wheaton from now on. Maybe it will be best if I do finish school there. Sometimes when one changes schools, the new school

will not accept all his credits. This is true especially of the Bible courses I have studied at Wheaton. For now and always, remember I am deeply in love with you. I am waiting, waiting, waiting for you to say that you will say "yes" when I telephone you in Sweden. Darling, I love you so and need you with me.

Sincerely, your own

hubbie,

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