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### Ever Yours.

"Till He comes," closing words say we, looking at them with mortal vision. It may be that the loving heart that dictated the words, and the hand that obeyed the heart's bequest are both forever still in death. "Yours ever!" and you read and re-read and try with heart and soul to look beyond into the "ever" and say, it is not all of life to live, nor all of death to die. Were the words written by a child of God that "forever" is God's beacon-light gleaming brightly from "over the river," speaking of re-union where no parting words are ever spoken. But how heavily the load of sorrow rests upon the bereaved one who mourns as those who have no hope. "Yours ever," and the ever ended when the last sigh died on the lips, and friends said, "He is gone." Oh, the shortness and uncertainty of time in this world! To-day full of life and bright prospects for the future, to-morrow all is over, only a broken pitcher at the well; only an empty casket; the jewel is gone, and where? "Ever yours," dear, dear Lord and Master. Seal the vows thyself. Married to Thee. Thou art the only one. Thou wilt never die; never prove

false; never leave us alone. "All mine are Thine and Thine are mine" "Ever yours." Not closing words to Father's letter, oh no, it has no closing. Eternal ages roll and yet He is "ever yours," ever mine.

MRS. F. RISON.

### A Word of Testimony.

Dear Bro. Kerr.—I am sending you an extract from a private letter for testimony column. I hope you will appreciate it sufficiently to insert it. The letter from which it is taken, recently received from one who has done noble service for the Master in years past in Evangelistic work, writing soul-stirring hymns and tunes, editing holiness papers, etc., has refreshed my own soul so much I could not refrain from sending you at least a part of it. And I want to add a word to it myself. My communion with God, my loving Father, grows sweeter, and truly He does "talk back" to me. As in the telephone we instantly recognize the voice of the friend we are speaking to, so we recognize the voice of our heavenly Father as we hold communion with Him. The Psalmist said, "I will hear what God the Lord will speak." How thankful we should be that the privilege was not His alone; it is yours; it is mine. It is not only my privilege, for it is also my happy experience.

And not only in my soul do I realize the presence and power of God, but I have also unquestionable proofs of His loving Fatherly care. A few days ago I wanted an American \$2.00 bill to send for out books. I tried at the post office and various places to get one but did not succeed. It occurred to me, I had not prayed for it. I did so and in a very short time in passing a house I was called in and a \$2.00 American bill was handed me, without any knowledge that I was wanting that very thing. The same day I had been thinking of a case of need and felt inclined to send a few dollars. Not feeling quite sure it would be in harmony with the divine will, I made it a subject of prayer and asked my heavenly Father if it were His will I should send it He would send me that amount in some unlooked for way that would be an extra, a gift, and not in payment of debt or on salary. In a little while, that very same day, a man quite unexpectedly handed me that very amount, telling me it was not to be counted on salary. He was not one of my regular contributors. Let those doubt who will. How can I? See Ps. 107:43.

These illustrations I have just given I could greatly multiply. Then does God always grant me everything I ask? No. Then why pray? To me it is quite easy to understand. Children ask their parents for many things and they very often have their requests granted, but very often, also, they do not. Do they cease to ask, and to have love for and confidence in their parents? Certainly not. If earthly parents know how to give or not give to their children, how much more our Father which is in heaven! "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together."

JAMES LAWSON.

Addison, Aug. 19, 1901.

### Worry and its Cure.

MRS. T. L. WILKINSON.

To be in a worry from any cause is not the normal condition of the child of God. It does not legitimately belong to the Christian life. It is an excrescence; a superfluity that greatly mars and disfigures it. Since worry puts us out of harmony with God, it is a very fruitful source of evil and unhappiness, and must be overcome before we can be the bright, joyous Christians that we ought to be, and before our ways can altogether please God. Anything that comes between us and God must certainly hinder our usefulness; and until every hindering cause is out of the way, we cannot hope to be very helpful to others.

"How can a victory over this disposition to worry be gained?" We answer, In the very same way that we gain a victory over any other evil disposition, viz., by bringing it to Jesus, telling him that we want to be delivered from it, and then trusting Him to deliver us.

Bishop Huntington says, "The mind needs steady and setting right many times a day."—Sel.

### Was John Wesley a Free Mason?

"This question is suggested to us by the following somewhat amazing paragraph in the *Press*, of Philadelphia, of February 2, last:

"Rev. D. W. Bull, of Transfer, Mercer county, has some interesting relics of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism. They consist of a Royal Arch Masonic apron, receipts of lodge dues paid by Wesley to the lodge of which he was a member, extending over a period of some fifteen years, and a number of books from Wesley's private library containing his autograph. The Masonic apron is 153 years old. These relics were purchased by Rev. Mr. Bull's grandfather at the public auction of Wesley's personal effects after his death."

"Our question is not whether Masonry is good, bad, or indifferent; whether John Wesley would have been a whit the worse if he had been a Royal Arch Mason, or a Master Mason or a Knight Templar, or a whit the better if he was. It is whether this story be true or not. Here are several questions. Was there a public auction of Wesley's personal effects after his death? We doubt it. His will disposed of everything he had.

"I give the books, furniture, and whatever else belongs to me in the three houses at Kingswood, in trust to Thomas Coke, Alexander Mather and Henry Moore to be still employed in teaching and maintaining the children of poor travelling preachers.

"I give to Thomas Coke, Dr. John Whitehead and Henry Moore, all the books which are in my study and bed chamber at London, and in my studies, in trust for the use of the preachers who shall labor there from time to time.

"I give the coins, and whatever else is found in the drawer of my bureau at London, to my granddaughters, Mary and Jane Smith.

"I give all my manuscripts to Thomas Coke, Dr. Whitehead and Henry Moore, to be burned or published as they see good.

"I give whatever money remains in my bureau and pockets, at my decease, to be equally divided between Thomas Briscoe, William Collins, John Easton and Isaac Brown.