



United States Marine Corps,

Marine Barracks, Somewhere in France.

April 5, 1918.

My own darling Grace:-

I find two of your letters I have not answered and will do so tonight. I don't know when I will be able to write next so will write all now.

Your letter of Jan 21.

No, my darling I am not sorry I asked you to be mine. I thought perhaps you were depriving yourself, but darling you have explained all to me. Now that you say it dear, I will say yes. I feel the same as you do. I feel that waiting and loving you is enough for me. I have no desire to go out and run around and dear it is you that has done this

for me.

I want to say darling I am waiting to get back to Epworth League and the Monday nite meetings again.

Yes dear when I get home and have done my duty then you can do your part in making me happy and giving me your love.

Oh I know you are living a life, one that will lead your girls to Christ. I am glad your Class is growing dear. Keep up your good work and I know God will bless you.

Just hold on for a little while darling and I will be home. This way can't be over last much longer. Then we can sit on your porch and you can lay your head on my shoulder and cry. Oh for those evenings, but the longer we wait



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the more precious will that time  
be.

Jan 29, 1918.

Grace dear Jan so glad you go  
over, and see mother. If only you could  
surprise me in that way. But your  
time will come dear and then you  
can surprise me. Our time will come.

I feel that way too many times  
dear. I just want you and only you  
dear. I will do my best to get  
the Kaiser and do away from with  
him. He can't last much longer.

Dear if only you knew the  
part you play in my thoughts.  
That is the only way I enjoy and

cheer myself is to think of the future  
and you my darling girl.

It is bed time dearest so  
will close. Good night sweetheart.  
Think of me while I am in the trenches.

Give Billy two kisses and best  
regards to your folks.

To you my darling sweetheart  
I send all my love and trust, from  
your own true soldier sweetheart,  
S. W. 5 K's.

Dave.

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