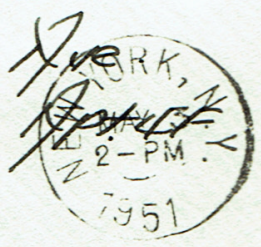


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My dearest Sandy:

I have been mulling over your letter all day trying to decide how I should answer it and I have finally come to the conclusion that the best way would be to answer each paragraph as I read it - so here goes.

First of all you don't need anyone to advise you. Too many people have already given you too much advice. I think it's time you made a few decisions ~~for~~ ^{for} yourself even if they do turn out to be the wrong ones.

As for the people we are ^{both} dating - all of them are potential mates or we wouldn't be wasting our time with them - I'm quite sure! It just shows emotional immaturity when we discuss our relationships with other people. I hold our

relation as something very special
and it will always be a great part
of my life.

You still talk about being
pretty unhappy. My dearest, you have
been unhappy much too long. Why don't
you try reading the Bible every night
before you go to bed. I have gotten
great strength from it myself these
past months. Darling you can
really learn all about love in the
Bible. Love for mankind - Something
many people do not have ^(or understand) in this
day and age. I was discussing
the subject with a group of nurses
the other day and they didn't
know what I was talking about.
A doctor happened along as I was
in the middle of the discussion
and he too tried to explain LOVE
in a spiritual sense and none
of them could "get it" ha!

Now about our vacation together — Sweetheart, if you really, honestly want to see me O.K. I'm gonna leave it up to you to decide. However I don't think it is fair to bring your families into the picture under the circumstances. I don't want to go to justia's or your home. I would like very much for you to see where I live but there is hardly time for that — I don't know what I'd tell my family & their friends. Maybe you could bring your folks down to Bradenton beach for a week. ????

At this moment I feel horrible.

I have a terrific cold. Guess I have been galavanting too much. I washed my hands before I started writing so don't worry about the bugs sweetie!!!! ~~the~~ dead bug.

Oh I didn't tell you about
my hair cut — had most
all of it cut off. Everyone likes
it though — They say, I look
positively stunning. Believe
me I do look different.

Guess this is all I have to
say right now but I do have
many things I want to talk
to you about — Things I can't
very well write.

Hope you can read & ~~the~~
scratching. !!!!!

Let me know about
"the vacation" 'Cause I have
several other little joints
to make. I'll graduate June

4th

Love,

P.S. I LOVE the picture you sent ^{Quincy}

I will keep it until I see you in June
since it's Kodachrome I KNOW you WANT it returned - D.D.