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Correspondence between Chalk & James L. Lovell

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Dear John Allen:

It was nothing short of stupid of me to duplicate your article but who can tell whether it was really stupid or not? In any case, I am sorry but will carry on with the other two in order. It must have been that you sent me part one earlier by itself.

I read what you said about Vivian to her and she said, "Wouldn't it have been wonderful if we had had a son as John Allen? He is such a brilliant and sweet boy." And you are and we love you so very much.

I did not think Brother BC was too hard on me. The things he quoted written long ago are things I would say again today were I saying them at all. He made quite a bit over Clinton Davidson and our New Christian Leader but I feel that it played its part well and accomplished its purpose and its not living has little to do with it. Brother BC could equally criticize the church in Jerusalem, Corinth or Antioch - they failed to live but they played their part.

He is in my book still a very great man whom I love very much and you just watch and see if the Advocate does not take on at least some new life. I wish it so.

I am getting some wonderful letters about it all. The time will come when we may be able to speak freely without fear but the time is not here yet. I would not dare, for their sake, quote from some letters.

Son, we are marching on. Keep a strong heart. Tell that little Springfield girl we love her too. We will soon put the biscuits on for lunch Dec. 7th.

Stay in touch.