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Just a few words, my dear Child, to tell you that the principles set out in your letter are true ones, and you can follow them with complete assurance. Certainly, our good Jesus loves you, and the trial to which he wishes to submit you, must reassure you completely.

Believe in your devoted Father whom the good Savior has given you and who knows you.

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