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## Letter from Watson Tripp to James B. Finley

Watson Tripp

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Rev Mr Finley I wish to address a few lines to you, As I am but 16 you old had few privileges of getting learning a good performance cannot be expected

Relation of feelings and experience

I have been very secret on a subject to which my attention has long been called that is a sense of my duty which I owe to God for his goodness to me, Three years last June I received the pardon of my transgressions I soon felt the impressions of a future duty for which I felt myself ~~not~~ to be unprepared, this followed me whenever I enjoyed any religion, at times I fell out with it lost all my enjoyments thinking that it would wear out, But I find to my disappointment it grows very fast I see that I cannot run away therefore I give up myself my all both soul and body into his hands knowing that he will not require to much, I feel that I cannot live as I have been living many times backsliden in heart occasion in life I therefore make this attempt to put my stubborn will in subjection to the Lord

As youth are to look to the aged expect the same from me, I feel it to my duty to strive to do something for my Savior, I will subject these imperfect lines to your disposal I want advice

W Tripp

J Finley



Watson Tripp  
April 1827

Watson Tripp  
May 1 answered

Dear Sir  
I am  
yours  
Sincerely  
Watson Tripp

If you see fit place a letter for Watson Tripp  
in columnar post