

Samuel Westerman born at Chelsea ~~Mass~~ June  
23<sup>rd</sup> 1812. Came from my father a particular concern about  
my salvation, & about my life. He felt strong convictions upon  
me & was particularly affected with the preaching of  
the parish minister concerning the wickedness & sinfulness  
of the human race, on the same day there was a revival  
of mind. I persuaded my B<sup>r</sup> the younger than my self to work  
with me in the field, so whom I declared with many tears  
my concern of mind about not knowing that I should be  
saved which was the cause of many melancholy reflections  
which my parents & acquaintance have to divert me from  
the task by <sup>and</sup> other young people in a natural way  
pray and with devotion all the time, at last I felt to go to  
service to avoid the influence of my acquaintance & to live more  
to my hearts satisfaction. about my 10 years I had a violent  
illness in which I felt powerful conviction of my own sinfulness  
which changed a long time with me <sup>this conviction left</sup>  
& my un happy situation became with many tears & prayers  
unto the Lord being told Mr. Ingraham kept preaching for  
all such people who wanted how they might be saved. so with  
trembling heart went to him with for my self not presuming to  
make my self public & among a host of good people, feeling Raynor  
was the nearest such a respectable minister was much surprised thereby  
but Mr. Ingraham took notice & inquired of me by his B<sup>r</sup> who told him  
was under great concern of mind. he next day I went to speak with  
him, he ~~asked~~ <sup>asked</sup> many questions concerning the coming to the meeting  
of my own wickedness, & if I had committed any gross sins which  
had violently affected me I answered yes, he also asked if I had been  
received in the sacrament. told him now I did not presume to any  
thing, he persuaded me to persevere & ~~to~~ <sup>to</sup> in the end  
I was with him to the next sacrament. after which I felt a



a little easier in my mind, but no real comfort of heart  
or knowledge that my sin was forgiven. M<sup>r</sup> Engleham  
being call'd a way & several single women was left  
in the care of his sister & on M<sup>r</sup> Engleham's return I went  
to be a servant in his family, at which time M<sup>r</sup> Engleham  
acquainted us concerning the <sup>man</sup> who was call'd Moravian  
they having a more experimental knowledge in the sufferings of  
Christ, then what he could possibly speak about. in the  
year 45. B<sup>r</sup> Zacheus was the first who arriv'd here  
whom M<sup>r</sup> Engleham desired would keep a meeting, B<sup>r</sup> Zacheus  
sung: this verifying hearts of many, come melt & see thy  
which made such an impression on my heart as if made  
by the hand of the Eternal Son of God, when the meeting  
was over B<sup>r</sup> Zacheus inquired who I was, M<sup>r</sup> Engleham  
told him I was his servant & one whom he might speak  
with at any time, the next day I enjoy'd that unexpress'd  
to my inexpressible shame & deep humiliation, for I thought he  
was surely like an angel of God who knew the secrets of my  
in most souls, & to whom I left nothing unexpress'd, & from  
that time could always unbosom the most minute compassions  
of my heart situation, after this I continued with the brethren  
but not wholly satisfied, some time after I was walking a  
long being much depressed in my mind, I was particularly  
depressed with a divine impression in my mind, which  
caus'd such an motion of heart as made me with great  
vehement cry out My God & My God, & the valuable blood  
of him who had suffer'd, death for my sins, <sup>from the 14th day</sup> before  
my heart, the effects of which was an abiding grace

& some little time after it began to clear to her  
mind, that Our S<sup>r</sup> said - perhaps intend soon to take  
her to him self this made her more resign but upon  
some small appearance of her being better she began to  
fear, that all these hopes must vanish but this  
continued not long her disorder gave violent proofs  
of a real Consumption & tho' of less bloody kind yet  
so sore it she was strengthen'd by the grace & nearness  
of her dear Saviour to wait with becoming patience  
her appointed time & with child like simplicity  
to depart her self with all thankfulness for all the  
nursing care <sup>which</sup> was bestow'd upon her & gave a  
real testimonie of respectable behaviour to her  
Sister & such waited in the room & bid adieu a particular  
renewing of the person of her dear Saviour & bridegroom  
& all the enjoyment of our S<sup>r</sup> Lord's corpse & blood  
the best satisfaction a sinner like thankfulness of  
heart, & at the departure of one of her sick companions  
namely Hannah Wedderburn she was M<sup>r</sup> who had the  
grace to enter into her happy rest the first she particularly  
desired her to use her utmost wisdom to her  
poor behalf that she might soon be summons home  
to him with many tender tears their parting was  
bedew'd. she from this time was visibly seen to  
after, & at our part when eight by 10 Mary she  
seem'd to feel her time would not be long & was  
under some concern of mind, for fear that Mary would  
be so fully occupied in this day of grace that she  
would scarce have to give her the last union of  
her choir but so it was made out between her Lord  
& like, that her hour should strike at the rising of  
of this blessed day & about 4 a clock in the morning her  
spirit took flight into the arms of her beloved under the  
singing of those words



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her cups had w<sup>th</sup> her a Love feast in the  
sickroom w<sup>ch</sup> was a particular favour  
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