

The ~~Life~~ of Life of the ~~great~~ girl Faith Taylor. She has left the following
Account of her self.
I was born at Home. ~~1744~~. Dec^r 21st 1744.
[B] 51 my Parents being in Connection with y^e Brⁿ
ever since I was about two years old, they took
me to y^e Meetings with them, for which I soon got a
liking, when Bro^r Helt came to York-shire
y^e Children were taken under His care, I took great
delight in going to y^e Meetings which He kept, y^e
tender & lively Manner in which He used to
describe y^e Wounds of our Saviour was y^e means of
bringing me to have a desire in my heart to know
something of that suffering Saviour. in 49 there was
a School began at Helme, & I was one that went to
it, & took much delight therein, ~~because~~ I lov'd y^e S^{is}^{rs} very
much. (when Bro^r Helt went away, Bro^r Gross came.
whom I also lov'd very much, but after His being
call'd home to care S^{is}^{rs}, there was no Childrens
parents, ~~which~~ grieved me very much, where upon
I thought I wou'd apply to y^e S^{is}^{rs}. to be taken
under their care, I spoke to S^{is}^r Sophia, who was
at that ~~at that~~ time y^e great Girls Labourer.
She ask'd me what was my Reason for wanting to
come among y^e great Girls? I told her that I wanted
it for no other Reason but that I might enjoy something
for my heart, & y^e Children had none no body to care
for them, this my desire was soon granted me, y^e Classes
& other Opportunities of y^e Girls, prov'd a great blessing
for my heart, I soon got a strong desire to live in
y^e Choir House, I spoke with my parents about it
& obtained their leave, I then made my desire known
to my Labourer, there being at that time no great Girls
in y^e Choir-house, I was, ask'd ~~—~~ how I came upon
such thoughts, for I was too young, but however I obtain'd
leave to intret for it, & in a short time, obtaining this great
grace, to my great joy, with four other Girls,

I was but wild & Amward, therefore every thing
seemed very strange to me, & I found that a great
deal to learn, & sometimes thought I should never
come thro' this. I accidentally happened to tell my
Mother, who afterwards attempted to take me home,
which brought me into some distress, sharing no
inclination for going back to my parents, when I con-
sidered y^e Mother rightly in my heart; I beg y^e
Sis^{rs} to stand my friends & intercede for me, for it
was my determination never to go y^e Choir house
& I however went but hardly with me for some time
& I loved my self as well as my Sis^{rs} a great deal of trouble
this gave me much trouble of mind, & brought me
to be a Singer before our Sav^r for my broken-
ness of heart, one day when I was very much
oppressed about ~~my~~ my self, & feeling that I did not
yet know our Saviour as wounded for my sins
I went by my self, laid my self with all my misery
before our Saviour, beg'd Him to give me a drop of
his Blood in my heart & let me feel his pardoning
love in my heart, & y^e forgiveness of my sins, in
his blood, I shall never forget this blessed moment
in all my life, for it was to me as if I saw my
gracious Redeemer standing before me, & laying
his thro' pierced hands upon me, this gave a
living peace thro' heart & mind, and proved an
abiding grace
Nov^{ber} 13th 1759. I was Rec^d into y^e Congre-
gation where upon I gave my self anew to our Sav^r
which prov'd a real blessing to me, but some time
after this I began to ~~feel~~ be dissatisfied about my
self, being sensible that I was not yet in that
consession with our Sav^r as I should, & began to
be, I often spoke with our Sav^r about it &

beg'd him with tears to help me, & make me
such a happy heart, as might yield joy to him &
X my Sis^{rs} He granted my request, & I grew very
happy, & chearfull when I was mov'd out of y^e lesser
girls room into y^e bigger, it cost me some pain, but
in a short time I grew satisfied, and my only pain of
heart now was, that I did become more a joy to
my Lambs heart, who had undergone so much for me
I gave y^e 24th 60. at y^e Nov regulation, of hands, &
lasses of y^e great girls, I got at y^e same time, a new
Klesing for my heart
Jan^{ry} 3rd 61 I got a violent sickness, which seem'd
as if it would be y^e means of bringing me soon to
my everlasting home, of which I should have been
very glad if it had been our Sav^r will, tho' it never
was quick clear to me that I should go at this time
but however this sickness prov'd a great blessing to me
my heart became more tender towards my dearest
Sav^r then ever, He often let me feel his sweet commands
and I kept many a hearty band with him, & beg'd
Him very often, that if he did not see fit to take me
at this time home to him self, yet that he however
should not tarry long, but if possible to hasten my
preparation, & fetch me soon to himself, so Jane
her own words, after this she went for a few weeks
to her room companions again, but in April
y^e 10th She came again into y^e Sick-room, whereupon
she said to her Sick waicher, now I shall go no more
out of y^e Sick-room till I go home; it was really
a pleasure to all around her, who beheld her former
and chearfull state of heart & mind, amidst y^e
great pain she under went; ~~any~~ any one pitee her
She would answer don't mind me, it will soon be over
When Sis^{rs} Mary who was going on a visit to London

took leave of her. She thank'd her for all y^e care
& trouble which she had spent on her;
about a month before her departure, a visible
alteration was to be seen in her; so that all most
ever day seem'd as if it wou'd be y^e last, tho' at times
she was very brisk, & chearfull, so that it was a
pleasure to be with her, one day as she awoke
out of a soft sleep, & look'd peculiarly pleasant.
She was ask'd what she look'd so for? she answer'd
I have seen such a number of Angels, & good last
~~imagine~~ ^{imagine} how pretty they look'd, I desired them to
take me with them to our Saviour, but they said
they must not take me yet, but they wou'd come
in a very short time & gain, and then they wou'd
take me with them. She retain'd her senses to y^e
last, & was often heard speaking with our Saviour
saying, O Come quickly my Dearest Lamb, y^e
time seems long. when wilt thou fetch ^{me} She Leg'd
continually for y^e Sis^r to sing for her; and just
before her Departure, with a clear voice gave
out that Vers the Lamb with all his grief & smart
& then was sung farther Open Arms take her,
Pail Lips &c Grant her to lean unshaken, and
singing these words, from hence she now is taken
her soul took flight, into y^e Arms of her Sould
Bridegroom, with y^e blessing of her Choir.

June y^e 14th 1761. in y^e 107th year of her
Age