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My Dear Sir

I beg you will assure boys who so generously expressed approbation my labours Africa that nothing has me more since my to England than their spontaneous deed. give them all my warmest from a heart over-with emotion and that God may

[0002] bless them with favour and love.

I have very little time to write to one as I am engaged in preparation of a narrative my late explorations and keep my word with hundred and ten poor Africans who me from the of the country to the coast and now await fulfillment of my promise Tete. I ought to be back them in April but fear

[0003] all I can do I must be 2 months later than my time in April. Were not for this I should try visit the boys and speak them but as this can be I would just them all to the care our Blessed Lord Jesus & them to try him as their and guide through life may make him their con-for he listens to every wafted up to him from the bosom. In Him we live move and have our being he is as tender and compassionate

[0004] everyone of them and knows all cases and ~~needs~~[cares] as if they the only persons in the world then if they are like him they will shew love to everyone about them to everything beautiful and good true. "He pray the best who best all things both great & for the dear Lord to whom pray he made and loveth "

thanking you and them for your most friendly and hoping that they not again deprive themselves any comfort. I am Dear Sir

yours Most truly

David Livingstone