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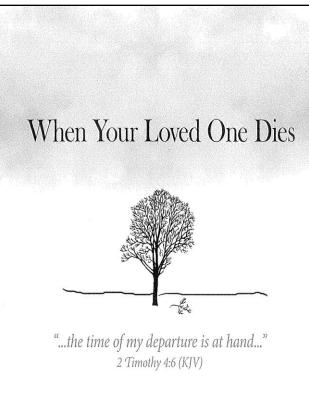
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"But, he just went to the Doctor's last week ... "

"Who's going to take care of the Children."

"But she said she was going to give **Me** that set of China!"

"Will? What Will?"

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