

April 10, 1854  
Elihu Burritt to "My Dear Friend"

[Logo at top: Dove flying over a globe, under the banner: "Blessed are the Peacemakers"]

Washington,  
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My Dear Friend,

My inmost soul thanks you with gladness and gratitude for your grand and noble speech on Thursday last. I am glad at heart that Divine Providence has brought you to a position in which you could give such a mighty utterance to truth and right. And the Southern men listened with an attention and respect which were an involuntary leverage to truth, as you denied the right of slavery to exist on any foot of this broad land. It must have been the first time their ears ever heard such a doctrine on that floor.

Yours affectionately,

Elihu Burritt