

telephone call 1/10/09  
no further reply

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Dear Andrew - if I may,  
I write in desperation, but not  
chiefly about myself, but I don't want anyone  
else to be hurt, through me. But you know  
that the last few months have nearly destroyed  
me, and until to-day I thought I could  
just bear it, without breaking entirely.  
And I didn't want to appeal to a solemn  
promise that was made to be on behalf of  
the Church.

After the police caution and the  
slaying of me in the Press, and my resignation,  
Archbishop George called me to him at  
Canterbury. And sitting in a window looking  
out on the Cathedral and referring to Thomas  
à Becket, he made a solemn promise that

the Church would not take any further action against me, because I had been punished enough. He made it as a solemn promise and repeated it again when he came here a few years later. There is no doubt that he made it on behalf of the Church and after a time of discipline encouraged me to rebuild my life.

I did not ask George to write to Archbishop Rowan, but I suppose he might, and, of course, I cannot even wonder whether that promise will stand. I have made it possible that everyone can say that I have been through the process, so no one but me, needed to suffer. That I am sorry of what I have done will cause further difficulties, but there is no doubt that George made it as Archbishop for the Church.

Oh dear Lord, how awful my sin has made things. With prayers and everything good

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