

My Choices

Thoughtful decisions
Will play a key part
In keeping me strong
And pure in heart.

I'll try to be watchful
And never despair
In this world where
Temptation is everywhere.

I've been carefully taught
With love unrestrained,
How thankful I am
For knowledge I've gained.

But do I remember
The choice rests with me
To plan or to gamble
On what I would be?

To thank daily, a Father
Who's given me all -
That I might return
Well-prepared at His call?

Do I have to experiment
Be selfish or proud?
Stubbornly reckless,
Just to be with the crowd?

Why should I take chances
If curiosity leaves scars?
Why not be creative -
Set my goal for the stars?

There is much yet to learn
Of all truth I embrace;
But rewards will be endless
As I take my place.

And then give to others
My help and concern;
Surely this course in life
Will true happiness earn.

Have a wonderful
12th Birthday and year
Affectionately, Grandma Clark
and Grandpa