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I do not doubt, for one moment,  
that I was right to stay  
    (vows before God,  
    promises made in solemn sincerity,  
    are not to be discarded just because  
    they turn unpleasant)

I do not regret, for one moment,  
the reconciliations  
    (children of God,  
    husbands embraced in love for eternity,  
    are not to be discarded just because  
    they turn unpleasant)

I do not forget, for one moment,  
the commitment printed  
    (in black and blue over my body)