

You taught me Waiting with Myself --

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Appointment strictly kept --

You taught me fortitude of Fate --

This -- also -- I have learnt --

An Altitude of Death, that could

No bitterer debar

Than Life -- had done -- before it --

Yet -- there is a Science more --

The Heaven you know -- to understand

That you be not ashamed

Of Me -- in Christ's bright Audience

Upon the further Hand --

### About the Author

Emily Dickinson (1830-1886) was an American poet. Born at the Homestead in Amherst, Massachusetts on December 10, 1830 into a prominent, but not opulent family. she lived a mostly introverted and reclusive life. After being schooled at the Amherst Academy for seven years in her youth, she spent a short time at Mount Holyoke Female Seminary before retiring to her family's house, the Homestead...

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