

RANSOMED
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ministries

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Dear Friends,

I have a favor to ask.

It's quite simple, really.

All you need to do is check a few boxes, and return the enclosed card in the envelope provided. We even paid the postage!

Here's what's up – for quite awhile now we've been sending these letters, hoping they are a source of God's life and truth to you, and, hoping they help you stay connected to us here at Ransomed Heart.

This letter now goes out to about 33,000 people. (How cool is that?!).

But we only hear from about 100 folks in response. We're not quite sure what to make of that.

Now, we *know* you are busy. We *know* hardly anybody uses snail mail anymore. Good grief, email is almost out of date, what with texting and Instant Messenger and Facebook and all that. But still, 100 out of 33,000 makes us wonder. Maybe we ought to can this newsletter.

So, please help us. Even if you've never responded to our letter, do it this one time. If only to say "I love these," or "please stop sending them," or whatever. Our mission is to help you. If we're not being helpful, we need to know!!

Now, it may be that you didn't know we wanted you to respond to these (!). It may be that you didn't know we needed you to respond (!). It may be that only 100 of you even open these (!). It may be there is a better format – like maybe we should go to an "e-newsletter" you get via email, and we drop the paper and save a few trees (and save Ransomed Heart a lot of money). Check the appropriate boxes, and let us know.

Our mission at Ransomed Heart is basically four-fold:

- Recover the treasures of the Christian faith.
- Restore men and women *as* men and women.
- Teach people how to walk with God and live in his Kingdom.
- Equip allies to carry on this mission, and rescue the hearts of others.

This newsletter is but one way we do that. And, it's our monthly reminder to you that we are here, we are going gangbusters for the Kingdom of God, and (this is what you might not have known) we need your support. The envelope (with postage paid) that we include each month isn't to give the letter more weight. It's our humble way of saying "please reply – by word of encouragement, and, with a gift if you can." That's how our mission goes forward, with the help of our friends.

Even if all you do each month is return the envelope with a "stickie" that says, "praying for you!" we'd be thrilled. Even if all you do is send a check for \$5.00, we'd be thankful. We'd know you are out there, and that the letters are meeting a need.

So, fill out the card, and drop it in the mail. We'll make our plan from there.

Now, one more thing before we go.

We have resurrected the Wild at Heart Advanced retreat this year! Our first is May 3-6 at Crooked Creek Ranch. This event is for any man who's attended a Boot Camp. The format is the same (350 or so guys for 4 days) but the content is "the next level." It's chance to get the fire back, receive more from God, and learn how to move forward as a man, living with God, fighting for life. **The lottery is February 18-25!** For more information come to our website www.ransomedheart.com.

Thanks so much for your friendship and support. We love being allies with you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the name "John" written in a cursive, flowing style.

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