

# RANSOMED HEART

LOVE GOD. LIVE FREE.

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Dear Friends,

Next Monday night, November 14, something really awesome is going to take place.

It's going to make Jesus come alive to you in rich, rich ways.

Back in the summer, I began to share some of *Beautiful Outlaw* with the team here – telling them stories, opening up the Gospels, jumping up out of my seat, waving my arms around, acting it out. The response was unanimous: “Wow – I loved the book, but to hear you talk about Jesus in person is a *totally* new experience. You make these stories come alive.” (*Aw shucks*, I thought, *Thanks fellas*.) But then somebody said, “You should do this for our friends, live, over the internet.” Somebody else chimed in and said, “Absolutely. Offer it live, for free, to anyone who wants it.”

So, that's what we're gonna do.

Next Monday night, I'm speaking before a live audience here in Colorado Springs about my favorite subject in the world: Jesus. His personality. His life. His incredible heart. How we can more richly and fully find him, know him, experience him. I'm doing this for THE express purpose of offering that live event to you over the internet. You are going to *love* it!

The early responses to *Beautiful Outlaw* have been more than we could ever dream of...and yet, everything we hoped and prayed for.

I read the book and want to know THIS Jesus! THIS Jesus that I have missed for a huge portion of my life! THIS Jesus that is so in love with me and is just drawing me closer and closer each page I read. This book is not just about a guy – it is offering LIFE and an opportunity for you to get to know the REAL JESUS as he really is! It feels like the stained glass church windows blocking my heart were shattered. He is REAL! *Amanda*

I really can't explain what happened. A rather slow and meticulous reader by nature, I found myself soaring through this book. I wasn't reading a book about who Jesus was, it felt more like sitting down with an old friend and looking through a photo album of their many adventures. Beautiful, clear, breathtaking. It was as if I was there, with Jesus, experiencing life as he experienced it. The compassion, the courage, the firmness of his words, the comfort of his touch. In a matter of a few hours, I was in love with Jesus all over again. *David*

I just finished reading *Beautiful Outlaw* and I can't stop saying THANK YOU JESUS. Of all the great books you've written, John, none come close to this one. As I read

this revelation of Jesus I was overcome with a range of deep emotions; one minute shouting out “YES! I knew it!”; the next minute silenced by grief over the way we have mischaracterized him for centuries. I will not sit on the bench during this revolution, for Jesus has called me out. Count me in. *Russ*

We'd love to count you in. Join us. Invite a few friends over next Monday night, and share Jesus with them. Or, host a gathering at church. (It's Monday night; nothing ever happens at church on Monday. Go talk to your leaders about offering it to the whole church – it's not too late! It's *free*.) If you've got a home group, watch it together. Pizza. Vino. Make it a party. If you've even *thought* about having a home group, start here!

The event goes LIVE online at 7:00pm Eastern time. Available to the world. (So, if you're in the Central time zone, that would be 6:00pm for you, *etc.*, *etc.*)

BUT, if you can't catch it live, by 10:00pm Eastern we will have the streaming version up (allowing the Mountain time zone crowd to watch it at 8:00pm and West Coasters at 7:00pm, *etc.* *etc.*)

For all the basics on how to do it, come to [www.beautifuloutlaw.net](http://www.beautifuloutlaw.net).

See you Monday night!

  
John