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## THE FATHER'S LOVE LETTER

My Child...

You may not know me, but I know everything about you. Psalm 139:1 I know when you sit down and when you rise up. Psalm 139:2 I am familiar with all your ways. Psalm 139:3 Even the very hairs on your head are numbered. Matthew 10:29-31 For you were made in my image. Genesis 1:27 In me you live and move and have your being. Acts 17:28 For you are my offspring. Acts 17:28 I knew you even before you were conceived. Jeremiah 1:4-5 I chose you when I planned creation. Ephesians 1:11-12 You were not a mistake, for all your days are written in my book. Psalm 139:15-16 I determined the exact time of your birth and where you would live. Acts 17:26 You are fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14 I knit you together in your mother's womb. Psalm 139:13 And brought you forth on the day you were born. Psalm 71:6 I have been misrepresented by those who don't know me. John 8:41-44 I am not distant and angry but am the complete expression of love. 1 John 4:16 And it is my desire to lavish my love on you. 1 John 3:1 Simply because you are my child and I am your Father. 1 John 3:1 I offer you more than your earthly father ever could. Matthew 7:11 For I am the perfect Father. Matthew 5:48 Every good gift that you receive comes from my hand. James 1:17 For I am your provider and I meet all your needs. Matthew 6:31-33 My plan for your future has always been filled with hope. Jeremiah 29:11 Because I love you with an everlasting love. Jeremiah 31:3 My thoughts toward you are countless as the sand on the seashore. Psalms 139:17-18 And I rejoice over you with singing. Zephaniah 3:17 I will never stop doing good to you. Jeremiah 32:40 For you are my treasured possession. Exodus 19:5 I desire to establish you with all my heart and all my soul. Jeremiah 32:41 And I want to show you great and marvelous things. Jeremiah 33:3 If you seek me with all your heart, you will find me. Deuteronomy 4:29 Delight in me and I will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4 For it is I who gave you those desires. Philippians 2:13 I am able to do more for you than you could possibly imagine. Ephesians 3:20 For I am your greatest encourager. 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 I am also the Father who comforts you in all your troubles. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 When you are brokenhearted, I am close to you. Psalm 34:18 As a shepherd carries a lamb, I have carried you close to my heart. Isaiah 40:11 One day I will wipe away every tear from your eyes. Revelation 21:3-4 And I'll take away all the pain you have suffered on this earth. Revelation 21:3-4 I am your Father, and I love you even as I love my son, Jesus. John 17:23 For in Jesus, my love for you is revealed. John 17:26 He is the exact representation of my being. Hebrews 1:3 He came to demonstrate that I am for you, not against you. Romans 8:31 And to tell you that I am not counting your sins. 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 Jesus died so that you and I could be reconciled. 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 His death was the ultimate expression of my love for you. 1 John 4:10 I gave up everything I loved that I might gain your love. Romans 8:31-32 If you receive the gift of my son, Jesus, you receive me. 1 John 2:23 And nothing will ever separate you from my love again. Romans 8:38-39 Come home and I'll throw the biggest party heaven has ever seen. Luke 15:7 I have always been Father and will always be Father. Ephesians 3:14-15 My question is...will you be my child? John 1:12-13 I am waiting for you. Luke 15:11-32 Love,

Your Dad- Almighty God

Barry Adams combined carefully chosen verses to write a heartwarming "letter" from God the Father to the reader.

If you are ready to be delivered from your life-controlling problems, if you are ready for **JESUS**, then we believe that our program is for **YOU**. If you are looking for help for yourself or for a loved one, please pick up the phone and call us today... **573-371-2020**. We will be happy to help or direct you to one of our other 20 Mission Teen centers.

My name is Brian Nix. I am 45 years old and was raised in Birmingham, Alabama. My parents raised my sister and I in a Christian household and taught us right from wrong according to the Bible. I was very involved in church and sports and couldn't have asked for a better childhood. When I was about 13 years old, I started drinking with my friends and over time it let to dabbling with drugs. At 19, I entered the Coast Guard for 4 years. I was blessed with getting to see the country, but I also learned how to drink and party and still work. When I came home to Alabama, drinking was no longer enough. I started using pain pills. In my twisted thinking, I thought this was the answer to everything...I could get high, work all day with no hang over. I am very strong willed and prideful so if I put my mind to anything, I could make it happen. Because I couldn't control things, it led me down a very dark road which ended up costing me everything...my job, my house and eventually my will to live. I came to the end of myself and the Lord put someone in my path that told me about Mission Teens. I ended up going to the ministry in Crossville, TN in 2008. While there, God filled me with His Spirit, His love and knowledge and understanding of His word and restored my family relationships. But me being me, I wanted

things my way. I wanted my old life back without the drugs. I now know that is impossible. 2 Corinthians 5:17 "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." The old me was gone, but I didn't want to let him go. I put my head down and tried to fill my life with things that would make me happy...wife, great job, house, trucks, boat and on and on. I was still missing that total surrender to Jesus which was all that could truly fulfill me. I walked away from the Lord and got further and further into darkness. He let me go my own way by my own free will. When I came to the mission in 2008, I really just didn't want to be homeless. But God wanted ALL if me. My whole life can be summed up like this...32 years before I met Jesus, the 12 years of fighting a total surrender to Him and the past year and a half (since coming to Freedom House) of living my life for Him. I gave it all to Him. I am know living my life of surrender in peace of not knowing what the future holds but knowing the One who holds it. "Whatever you want me to do Lord, here I am." To be used by God, He has to have all of you. So, He let me go until I was completely broken, knowing that He is the only way. John 8:36 "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." The freedom and life I have always wanted can only be found in Him. For the first time in my life, I am content where I am and what I am doing. I have nothing and in Jesus I have everything I ever wanted. Thank you, Jesus, for saving me and also for giving me the chance to be here to give back and point people to the only one that can help, Jesus!



AS A FATHER HAS COMPASSION ON HIS CHILDREN, SO THE LORD HAS COMPASSION ON THOSE WHO FEAR HIM. PSALM 103:13



The 100-mile yard sale was a great success, and we are also thankful for the gifts through the Walmart registry.

The honeybee's arrived in late April and are doing great! You can learn a lot from a bee. We have been having a great time watching them and learning more about them. You can only be AMAZED at the details in God's creation. All the bees have a specific purpose that only God could have designed. Thank you to everyone who has prayed and lent a helping hand in getting this started.



JUNE NEEDS

For June, we are asking you to pray to be a financial blessing to the new building project. The cost of lumber and supplies is up 200% and we could really use the help. We prayed and believe that the vision to expand is definitely from the Lord and we trust Him to provide all that is needed to complete the project. Upon completion, we will be able to house more staff and residents and provide the help needed to hurting people who are ready for a drastic life change through Jesus!

Please pray and ask the Lord if you could pledge a portion of your giving to this project.



BE INSPIRED AND KEEP UP WITH WHAT THE LORD IS DOING AT FREEDOM HOUSE

