

# **FREE Prison Ministry Inc**

# Faith Resources Empowering & Encouraging the incarcerated

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Greetings friends,

It is our prayer that this cover letter finds you well and in good spirits! There are just a few administrative matters to cover. First, we recently started offering *Good and Evil: The Ultimate Comic Book Action Bible*, both in English and Spanish. This book is sent directly from the publisher and may take six weeks. Second, as a reminder, if you are interested in receiving a birthday card from us, let us know your birthday. It's another opportunity for us to connect and encourage you along your journey of faith.

#### From Jeff:

I love Fall. There is just something about this time of year, the colors, holiday season. While Christmas is the most meaningful time of the year, our biggest family gatherings were usually around Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is probably my most favorite meal of the year. We would always have the traditional meal—turkey with dressing, mashed potatoes, corn, green beans, rolls, cranberry sauce, and lots of deserts, including pumpkin pie. But one of my favorite things was my Aunt Lois' apple salad. I couldn't get enough of it. My mom kept up the tradition after my aunt passed. As a kid, I always wondered why we didn't have food like that all year 'round (of course, I wasn't the one fixing it). But having Thanksgiving Day food on a weekly basis would probably cause it to lose some of its special nature.

Obviously, Thanksgiving and Christmas are about a lot more than food. Being thankful for the many blessings we have, both materially and in Christ, is something that we should remind ourselves of every day. I know I am guilty of taking things for granted. The following page contains the Christmas Bell. It was something the previous ministry leader, Christine Folkers, may have shared with you. As we approach this Christmas season, reflect on the verses represented in the bell and what Christ has done for you. His gift to us, his sacrifice for our transgressions, was the greatest gift anyone could ever give. Merry Christmas!

The FREE Prison Ministry team,

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## The Christmas Bell author unknown

THE BELL
I KNOW WHO I AM

I am God's child (John 1:12)

I am Christ's friend (John 15:15)

I am united with the Lord (1 Cor. 6:17)

I am bought with a price (1 Cor 6:19-20)

I am a saint (set apart for God). (Eph. 1:1)

I am a personal witness of Christ. (Acts 1:8)

I am the salt & light of the earth (Matt 5:13-14)

I am a member of the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:27)

I am free forever from condemnation (Rom. 8: 1-2)

I am a citizen of Heaven. I am significant (Phil 3:20)

I am free from any charge against me (Rom. 8:31 -34)

I am a minister of reconciliation for God (2 Cor 5:17-21)

I have access to God through the Holy Spirit (Eph. 2:18)

I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (Eph. 2:6)

I cannot be separated from the love of God (Rom 8:35-39)

I am established, anointed, sealed by God (2 Cor. 1:21-22)

I am assured all things work together for good (Rom. 8:28)

I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit (John 15:16)

I may approach God with freedom and confidence (Eph. 3:12)

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil. 4:13)

I am the branch of the true vine, a channel of His life (John 15: 1-5)

I am God's temple (1 Cor. 3: 16). I am complete in Christ (Col. 2: 10)

I am hidden with Christ in God (Col. 3:3). I have been justified (Romans 5:1)

I am God's co-worker (1 Cor. 3:9; 2 Cor 6:1). I am God's workmanship (Eph. 2:10)

I am confident that the good works God has begun in me will be perfected. (Phil. 1: 5)

I have been redeemed and forgiven (Col 1:14). I have been adopted as God's child (Eph 1:5)

I belong to God

Do you know

Who you are?

The LORD bless you and keep you;
The LORD make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you;
The LORD turn His face toward you
And give you peace...
Numbers 6:24-26

Grace and peace be yours in abundance. 1 Peter 1:2

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