



December 2014

Dear Supporters, Volunteers, Counselors, and Friends of Life's Key Ministry,

December often serves as a time of reflection on what happened in our lives over the past year, and there are a few things that stick out to me for 2014. The sequence of events that God orchestrated to bring me here has given me a story to share, and I continue to be encouraged by people who tell me they can relate to it. It has been a joy to meet so many people that have a heart for this ministry, and to trade stories about successes of the past and hopes for the future. And it has been an eye-opening experience learning how the prison system works, and getting some visibility into the lives of inmates, what they have been through, and how desperate so many of them are for God's word.

In many cases, Life's Key will be the only ones to reach out to these people during the Christmas season. In an effort to make our communication a little more meaningful we will include a sheet with all courses that go out this month that wishes them a Merry Christmas, and includes a poem written by Roy Lessin. I'd like to extend this to all of you as well! God has blessed us in many ways, and in no greater way than through the gift of Jesus! May you all enjoy the triumphant celebration of His birth and have a very Merry Christmas!

Little baby on the hay, soon there'll be another day
When nails shall pierce Your hands and feet as you provide our sin's defeat.
Risen Jesus on the throne, we lift our praise to You alone
For You're the gift that we receive the moment that our hearts believe.

This Christmas, as you consider all the awesome things that have come to you through Jesus, God's perfect gift, Remember that it is but a taste of all the good things that are yet to come.

"It is a lot to digest, but I'm willing to apply these principles of Proverbs to my life. Some things I presently practice, and realize the benefits of self-control are paramount to my walk with the Lord. In retrospect, I was missing a lot of these principles and I believe that was the beginning of my downfall to backsliding. Being here and getting Life's Key lessons has given me a better understanding on what I'm supposed to be studying in my Christian walk. Thank you!"
- Matthew (Pennsylvania), in response to a thought question in the course "Proverbs for Life"

"Here is the course that I completed about a month ago, 'Men Who Met the Master'. It was a great study. I am currently working on the new studies that you sent me. They are very informative. God bless you for helping me to get closer to God. I am a changed man and will stay this way from now on. I didn't realize how foolish I was. I can see no other way other than Christ's way. It brings much joy to what was a sad, hopeless life." - Carroll (Virginia)

May all we do be for the glory of God!

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