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Dear friend in ministry,

There was no room in Mary's life for God.

The god Mary had heard about was the god of an eternally burning hell. Mary wanted nothing to do with a vengeful god.

By the time she was married and had two children, Mary had carved out a successful professional career. Her husband was an artist and an actor, yet even as she checked off significant educational achievements, Mary felt there was something missing in her life. She began studying eastern religions, fascinated by what the afterlife might hold for her.

A heavy smoker, Mary became aware of a stop-smoking clinic being held at a local library. She decided to attend, and soon after, quit smoking. As a result of the impact this program had on her life, she began attending the church that hosted the stop smoking clinic. About that time, on a visit to a laundromat, she found a copy of a book called *The Great Controversy*. This book reminded her of a book called *Planet in Rebellion* she had seen at a friend's house some years before. By what seemed at the time like a great coincidence, she happened across that book's author on television and began watching the program he hosted. His name was George Vandeman. When Mary learned he was coming to her city to conduct a seminar on the book of Revelation, she wanted to attend. But there was a conflict. The night the Revelation seminar was to begin, another conference on the subject of reincarnation was also beginning. Mary was torn. Which program should she attend?

Mary decided she would attend the program that started earlier, figuring that if she didn't enjoy it she could leave and go to the other. As George Vandeman's

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program was starting first, Mary decided to go to the Revelation seminar. *It was a decision that completely changed her life.* 

Mary was won to the God of heaven by the love of Jesus. Before long, she was baptized, and ever since, she has been committed to Jesus and the church. A dedicated It Is Written Partner, Mary is committed to supporting evangelism.

Mary's remarkable conversion was made possible by people who, like you, had a burden for reaching people with the everlasting gospel. The signs of the times are loudly telling us that time is running out for this world, and it is imperative we reach even more people with the hope we have in Jesus. Support for evangelism meant It Is Written would be in Mary's city. That support saved Mary's life.

Your dedication to the gospel commission continues to win souls. A few years ago, a woman I'll call Wendy was waiting for her young daughter in a dentist's office when she saw Bible study enrollment cards. Interested in studying the Bible, Wendy took a card and mailed it in. Days later, Bible studies began. Wendy devoured the studies, accepted Jesus as her Savior, and was baptized. She then completed nursing



Wendy's life was changed by the It Is Written Bible studies.

studies, put her daughter in church school, and preached an evangelistic series during an It Is Written mission trip. Wendy's life, and the life of her daughter, has been changed.

Your support of the soulwinning ministry of It Is Written results in transformed lives. With several major evangelistic outreaches taking place, new resources being produced, and It Is Written Bible studies being translated into even more languages, this will be a big year for soulwinning. By now, we are used

to opposition to evangelism. The enemy of souls is unwilling to give up a single one without a fight. I still believe the power of Jesus is greater than the power of the devil, and I know you believe that too.

Would you join me this month in investing in lives for eternity? We recently received an encouraging comment from a ministry supporter regarding the

It Is Written Bible Study Guides. He writes, "I use It Is Written Bible studies to win souls. They are comprehensive, soul-winning lessons. I will continue to support It Is Written in 2023." Our adult studies, the It Is Written Bible Study Guides, and our children's series, the My Place With Jesus Bible Guides, are being used to win hearts around the world. While we're grateful for the reach of these studies, it is time to work for a vulnerable segment of society, a group that is under attack like never before.

I'm excited to let you know that work has begun on a brand-new series of It Is Written Bible studies for teens. I am often told more resources are desperately needed for

teenagers. The teenage years are difficult, far more so than when I was a teenager. Teens need meaningful spiritual support, and these new studies will help teens develop strong faith in Christ and His Word. These will not be watered-down studies designed to amuse or entertain. Teenagers need Bible studies that are solid yet Christ-centered, substantive yet relatable.



The writing, design, and production of these studies will take significant resources to develop. And along with these studies for teens, It Is Written will continue to produce television programs and present evangelistic series that will impact the world.

Thank you for prayerfully considering how God can use you this month to further the important work of reaching the people Jesus died for and helping them prepare for the soon return of Jesus.

Yours in the blessed hope,

Pastor John Bradshaw

President, It Is Written

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P.S. When Mary was deciding between reincarnation or Revelation, God led her to an It Is Written evangelistic series that saved her life. The Word of God is life-changing, which is why It Is Written has begun developing a new set of Bible studies for teens. The writing, design, and production of these studies will take significant resources to develop, but with your help, we can make it happen. Thank you for prayerfully considering how you can support the ministry of It Is Written this month!

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