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*From the desk of*  
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Thanksgiving 2020

Dear It Is Written friend,

This year, phrases we either didn't use previously or used only rarely have become part of the common lexicon: "pandemic," "social distancing," "comorbidities." And an interesting phrase: "essential workers." "Essential workers" are those who work in areas such as healthcare, public safety, food production, and law enforcement. I'm extremely grateful for the incredible work so many people do to keep the wheels of society turning safely.

But there's something I want to tell you. The truth is, you are an essential worker for Christ! There are people you and your support of It Is Written touch that would not be reached if you were not a part of this ministry. There will be people saved who would have been lost without you. This is a significant time in history to be alive, and your involvement in the ministry of It Is Written is needed and very much appreciated.

I just finished reading over 300 thank you notes sent in to us from the thousands of people who watched our Hope Awakens series earlier this year. I wish you could read them all with me. Despite everything going on in their lives, they took the time to say thank you. They think they are thanking me or It Is Written. But they are not. They are thanking you because it's your faithful support through this uncertain year that has ensured they heard the gospel.

Let me share just a few with you:

Everyone should listen to these videos. I will listen to them all. It sure explains everything that is happening right now. Thank you, Jesus!

I rejoice and cry and worship and learn from these beautifully-presented messages. The teaching is so clear, lively, and interesting.

I'm so glad to watch and listen to this series from West Sussex, England. This has enriched my soul! Even my eight-year-old twins watch with me.

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I like how the information in this series comes straight from the Bible. I was truly blessed by the whole presentation. I would like to watch it again just to be enriched by God's Word.

I watched your Bible study Friday night, and you said something that became really important to me. I lost my son a year ago, and it still hurts. Now when memories rush in and I cry, I will remember what you said and will be encouraged to keep going. Your words were: "Hang in there. Hang in there with Jesus." No one ever said it that way before. Thank you, Pastor.

I'm from Melbourne, Australia. Thank you so very much for all the messages. I was really blessed, and my faith strengthened. I believe that I'm ready for the second coming of Jesus. I don't want to be left out of the New Jerusalem. So again, I thank you very much. God bless you.

As a minister of the gospel, there is nothing I would rather hear than what you just read. "I believe that I'm ready for the second coming of Jesus." I read that and I say, "Thank you, Lord, for those who make this possible through their support of It Is Written."

We're not simply preaching to the choir. At It Is Written, we are going into the highways and byways and urging people to come in. We can't do it without you. And I believe the time is now for us to do even more for the cause of Christ. With your support, we can.

Several days ago, I had the privilege of baptizing a woman who earlier this year surrendered her life fully to Jesus. She said to me, "I made my decision to give my heart to the Lord during Hope Awakens. It was then I decided to be baptized." I thought to myself, "This would not have happened without It Is Written Partners and supporters. It simply wouldn't have happened. She is in this baptistry making this life-changing decision because ministry-minded people made it happen." My prayer is that it can keep happening.

Thank you for being an essential part of the It Is Written family. My team and I praise God for you, uplift you to the throne of grace, and pray the Lord's special blessing on your life in the days ahead.

Happy Thanksgiving,



Pastor John Bradshaw  
President, It Is Written

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