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Subject: Update on Mike and Don't be shy!

Family,

While I have a lot to do today I took a couple hours this morning to visit my friend Mike Day who is 73 and in recent weeks dropped from weighing in the 140s to low 120s. He has been told he has a 6 inch scar on his liver and tests are being done to see if he has cancer. While he looked a bit better today compared to last week, I do wonder about his condition. He is alone, and while he has been in good health he survives reasonably well. However, if he slowly becomes debilitated, he will most likely be institutionalized and ignored.

While we sat on chairs in front of his apartment, with Jake who some think is a dog, he did talk a bit about God. It seemed like what you would typically expect when someone is considering that their demise might be near. It is reminiscent of the idea that there are no atheists in foxholes. I know of so many who would want to get him to make a profession of faith, but I suggest this is simply a feel-good attitude. Not only have I read John 6, I have also done some study of it, and know a person who makes a profession is not the same as a person who has repented. I also know my duties, such as seen in 2Tim4, which has very much become my norm. And I have read the parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10 and am attempting to do "likewise" as the Lord commands in verse 37. And like the Samaritan, I have resolved not to abandon Mike.

Why am I telling you this? Irrespective of how I was abandoned, by my wife, extended family, and the institutional church, as a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, I cannot do the same. Therefore the constant pursuit of reconciliation.

Let me remind my kids that I am their dad and I am available to them. The door of communications remains open. Please use it anytime.

To my wife, allow me to repeat myself. I hold nothing against you. You and I are two foul sinners who by the grace of the Lord became one. We both promised to live our lives as one until death. I have not recanted from that and remain open to you and you alone.

You know my email address. You have my phone number below which has been stable for a decade. My address is 1850 18th St. NW, Cleveland, TN 37311. I do live in a garage, but it is a 3 bedroom garage, so there is room for visitors. I do get visitors from Ducktown, Athens, and now Argentina. You are also invited.

Mike has become an important person in my life. My family is even more so.

I love you all. Don't be shy!

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Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

Ecclesiastes 12:13