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## Hi friend!

This month we'd like to share some of the beautiful messages straight from Innovative Truth small group partners who have come to know God because of **YOU**!

Like many of us, they are frustrated beyond measure by all we're seeing and personally experiencing in the world right now. We are suffering with death of family and friends, outrageous inflation, high crime, disease, loss of jobs and income, disenfranchisement, homelessness, depression, open borders, an attack on our children's innocence, loneliness, addiction, government fraud; the list goes on and on.

Yet, because of the foundation of peace and salvation which comes only through our Lord Jesus Christ, we are able to steady our wings and soar. It ultimately does not matter who is in government power, we know unabashedly that our Savior sits on the throne. Our hope and faith lies in Him alone.

With that said, here are four messages shared direct from your small groups:

- Jesus didn't come to take away our suffering, He came to redeem and transfer it for His glory and our salvation.
- Through Christ, we are taught to live the Serenity Prayer in action.
- We are called to be disciples for Jesus. When we do not speak up for Him, we are lacking wisdom, courage and/or love. Pray for discernment to find what you're lacking of those three. Then take action to correct it. Be bold for the gospel.
- Do not pray for a lighter cross, pray for a stronger back.

In one of your small groups last week, we prayed fervently for strength to face the trials before us. I was reminded of eagles. As storms approach, most birds hide and nest for protection. Eagles take flight. Using the unique structure of their wings,



they lock in facing the storm so they can fly above that which caused others to hide. Eagles know that by fearlessly rising above the storm, they will find calm. One of my favorite hymns based on Psalm 91 expresses that peace that comes only from God:

> "You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in His shadow for life, Say to the Lord, my refuge, my rock in whom I trust.

And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand."

Your partnership with Innovative Truth is making a profound difference in the lives of men and women who have chosen to find salvation in Christ. It has been a financially difficult year as we said good-bye to partners who went home to be with the Lord, some who are battling new diseases, and others who lost their jobs. We have cut expenses to the bare minimum and reduced Tom's annual salary by \$10,000. Please remember us as you prayerfully make decisions about your end of the year giving, special annual gifts, an increase in monthly donations, as well as sharing Innovative Truth with friends and family who will have the eagle's fortitude and a heart to partner with your ministry.

In the palm of His hand,

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