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Ms. Gloria Lee I am a prisoner at Camp Lahman, Level 1 in Grayling, Michigan. I read your book, It is Time to Start Walking With God. I found the book to be informative and contain a lot of valuable information, knowledge, insight and understanding the importance of gearing our lives to walk with God, and keeping Him at the head of our lives at all times.

I could not help but notice the book was tailored for the female reader yet can benefit whosoever in many ways. There were a couple references made to the Michigan Parole Board being notorious for paroling murderers and rapists, and Michigan being a parole state pages 100, 161, seemingly implying that those convicted of those crimes are not deserving of being released to society. That might not have been the message you intended to send but a reader could make this inference based on these statements.

Michigan is more of a prison state than a parole state. Prisoners in Michigan serve more time of their minimum sentence (120%) than most other states in the United States especially the Midwest States. I have been incarcerated for 13 years for a second-degree murder conviction. I largely agree with you that those who commit these types of crimes were all operating in an evil state at the time when these crimes were committed, but I remind you of two points 1. Personally I can attest to the fact that everybody is capable of change. What seems impossible to man is definitely possible with God. I have been saved and serving Christ since December 16, 1996 and I would never have grown into the person I am today without making a decision to stop doing things my way and start doing things God's way. Even murderers and rapist can change through Christ.

Secondly, I am appalled at the abuse of women, physically, emotionally and sexually. Those who do this should be dealt with in a harsh manner. Likewise women need to be empowered with the tools to gain control of their situation and not tolerate any form of abuse. However, all cases and circumstance of a murder and or a rape are not the same. Though the charge, conviction and time given to two situations can be very similar. Situation should be looked at individually to access if a person is worthy of parole and or if limited threat to the community. I bring this up because as a writer you can help form and shape many person, ideals, perception and concepts about various topics and issues. There is a danger in generalizing anything with too broad of a brush. Other than that, my only criticism you seem to supply the reader with so much information that it becomes colossal to digest it all because you went in many directions with your issued covered. However, I think this book is worthwhile reading and very capable of influencing a person's walk, thinking, and habits to a positive direction. May God continue leading you to write and successfully into your spirit.

Peace and Love Mr. Anthony Moore



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Changing Lives One Book at A Time

October 7, 2009

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Dear Mr. Moore:

My name is Gloria G. Lee, and I am the author of "It Is Time You Start Walking With God." Thank you for your comments on my book. I wrote the book for both men and women. If you read some of my other books you will read of scenarios more for men than women. I tried mixing the situations so both sexes could gain insight on the other. Relationships are extremely important throughout a person's life and I was hoping my readers would give thought to developing a relationship with God to improve their life.

I also thank you for your comment regarding my statement regarding parole. To be perfectly honest with you I am betwixt and between regarding parole. I have researched the subject and I have written a book on parole. The problem is the philosophy behind parole and the individuals that are approved for parole. Rapists and individuals who have committed murder tend to reoffend when paroled. Their victims are the elderly, woman and children, the most vulnerable individuals in our society and the injuries to their bodies are horrendous. I agree that everyone is capable of change but I am not confident in the decision making process to decide whether or not someone really has. There is a hidden danger folded into parole and that is the person may have been incarcerated for only one offense, but he is in fact guilty of many more, even though he was never charged because the police were unaware of his activity. This happened several times in New York. A man came up for parole, during his application the state began to require all applicants to submit DNA for the state data bank. When his sample was compared to the records in the state data base he was associated with several rapes and a rape and murder. He had murdered his next door neighbor. A man in Michigan came up for parole. He submitted his DNA and, within a week, Texas was asking that this man be extradited. He had rape and murdered a woman in Texas a month prior to being incarcerated in Michigan. He murdered the woman in Texas then fled to Michigan. He committed a crime in Michigan later that month. He was apprehended, convicted and imprisoned. After serving a minimum sentence he became

eligible for parole. Unknown to him Texas entered the forensic evidence from the rape and murder scene into CODIS, thus the request for extradition. He later confessed. Another Michigan man came up for parole after a minor traffic conviction. He submitted his DNA into the Michigan State Databank. It was soon learned he had murdered a woman 20 years earlier during his youth when he was high on drugs. A man was paroled in Missouri in 2004. He murdered 11 black women within 9 months. This man was paroled after serving 20 years in prison for murdering his girlfriend. A sex offender in Ohio was released from prison for over a year he raped and murdered 11 Black women leaving their bodies in his house. Family members are waiting to see if he will be sentenced to death.

The reason why I am so interested in parole is because our society is suffering from the lack of men in the home. Michigan has a prison population of approximately 40,000. These are the men missing from the families in our communities. The objective of my books is to convince men that they should never make a decision regarding their lives without considering how their wife or child will suffer from the loss of their presence in the home. No man should consider an illegal act without considering the affect his behavior will have on his son.

Man was ordained by God as the protector of his family and leader of his children. The responsibility a man has towards his family cannot be abdicated. A man can be on the battlefield, in prison, or at work; the obligation is the same. Children and women rely upon men for the feeling of safety and protection. When the man is not in the home the roles of a father and protector are not seen by the children and the children grow up maladapted. I am trying to figure out how parole can be accomplished without damage to society causing our families to be restored. I am praying and asking God to give me insight into this problem

Nevertheless, Mr. Moore I thank you from reading my book. I truly appreciate your comments. I have been writing for 10 years and this is the first time I have let anyone read my work.

Thank You,

Gloria G. Lee

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October 24, 2009

Dear Ms. Gloria G. Lee,

Hi, How are you doing? Blessed I pray, by the grace and mercy of God Almighty. I received your letter recently, and it was a true blessing to hear from you. I commend you for your dedication and concern for the well being of men in prison. It is obvious that you have a genuine love for God and how men's lives are directly connected to their relationship with the Heavenly Father.

I try to give as much credit as I can to any person(s) who have chosen any form of prison ministry as their calling. To me, this is one of the most special of all of ministries, and unfortunately; one that even strongly anointed Christians seem to shun quite often! Jesus commissioned the righteous to help the sick, feed the hungry, and visit the imprisoned, etc. in Matthew 25:35-46. You are doing all of the above by seeking to uplift men in prison who are often sick in their thinking, and feeding them the Word of God! I give you much praise and appreciate your efforts in these regards.

I am glad that you welcomed my comments concerning your book, and did not take them as criticism; as I was trying to give you an honest assessment and overview. I definitely believe that people's lives can be positively impacted by your writing gift.

Concerning the issue of parole, I find that Michigan; in particular, has a very flawed parole system. Little is offered by way of rehabilitation, and prisoner's real needs are often not thoroughly addressed before they return to society. Yet, sometimes I feel that an excessive amount of emphasis is often placed on what a person is in prison for, instead of what the person has done and accomplished throughout their prison term in determining who gets a parole and who doesn't. Rightfully, so a person who commits a murder or a rape shouldn't be paroled sooner that a person who writes a bad check! That's not what I'm saying. I'll use my self as an example.

I was convicted in 1996 of second degree murder. I had a disagreement with a guy who I had known and it escalated until the point that I foolishly used a gun to solve the problem! he was wrong for the reasons that initiated the conflict, I was twice as wrong for violently taking his life to settle the issue!

At the time I was 33 years old, gainfully employed at American Axle in Hamtramck,

and I had no prior conviction or as an juvenile or as an adult. Unfortunately, that's rare for a 33 year old Black male growing up in the inner city of Detroit. In almost 13 years of incarceration I have had not had one major misconduct ticket, never been to segregation (the hole), and never had a fight. Mainly, because I accepted Christ and got saved on the 3rd or 4th day that I got arrested, and I have grown and walked with God every since! That changed my heart, my thinking; but most importantly for me, it changed my priorities.

On the other hand, another guy can come to prison in this state for say, drug selling; and offense considered non-violent. During his prison term he may catch 10 major misconduct tickets, go to the hole 2 times, and have 2-3 fights in a 5 year span, as well as have 2 prior convictions as a juvenile and 1 prior as an adult. After doing 7 years in prison he is now 31 years old an eligible for parole.

If you compare the two cases you might come to the conclusion that I would have a lesser propensity to commit more crimes, and therefore would probably have a higher chance of parole after both of us have served our minimum sentence. But, because of my charge and Michigan not really considering institutional behavior or seeking where a person's current development is really at, I would likely be denied parole at a rate twice as high as the other guy! Does that seem right, fair or sensible! Yet, this example is not typical for many men dealing with the parole system in Michigan.

If you believe the comprehensive studies done by the organizations "MI-Cure and C.A.P.P., they have come to the conclusion that those convicted of murder and rape re-offend at a much lower recidivism rate that those convicted of all other crimes; with those convicted of money-gain crimes (i.e. selling drugs, robbery, burglary) having noticeably much higher rate. In addition, these organizations concluded that when people convicted of murder and rape do re-offend they rarely re-offend for murder or rape: especially murderers. When they offend for the same crime convicted of, again it's a much lower rate than all other crimes. These statistics were predominantly based of Michigan.

With all of that being said, I totally, totally agree with you that men need to be conscious of the role and affect that we have on our families and society with every decision that we make; for good or bad. I have tried to instill this concept to as many men as I can during my prison term. Likewise, our women, children, and elderly should be protected at all cost, and not preyed upon.

Yet, no matter what safeguards are put into place through parole guidelines or otherwise, there's going to unfortunately always be some number of people who will return to a life of crime and commit heinous acts; like the men you cited in your letter. Personally, I believe that the best way to insure that a person doesn't reoffend is to offer them a viable skill trade training while incarcerated, address their mental health needs throughout their prison term, and take a real look and assessment of what a prisoner has done throughout his prison stay to determine if real changes have been made in his thinking and priorities. These are good places for the system to start.

However, for those who know God and are called by God, we know that anything other than renewing your mind in Christ Jesus is proverbial house build on sand! He is the foundation that brings real and lasting change in our minds, hearts, and lives. For me, He uprooted the thoughts of violence, intolerance, drugs, and crime and replaced them with love, compassion, selflessness, and set me on a mission to try to do what's right in God's sight at all times. Do I still fail sometimes? Of course, but I fail a whole lot less with Jesus driving the car instead of myself! Getting Christ truly and totally in a man's heart is the only way to reasonably guarantee that any man will stay with holiness and righteousness. The principles of God will teach a man how to be responsible husbands, fathers, sons, brothers, bosses, neighbors and never neglect those duties.

Ms. Lee I thank you again for your sincerity, concern, wisdom and insights. It's beautiful that you take time out of your hectic schedule to reach out to us. May God continue to bless you, use you, and anoint you in abundance. PEACE

Mr. Moore

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From Mr. M

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Subject: Book Review

To Whom It May Concern:

After reading the Devil's Cauldron I found it to be one of the most enjoyable books I have ever read. I say this because the book itself deals with everyday happenings and how the Devil can make people do evil things.

It also deals with the scenarios that I am faced with on a day to day basis and how we can change to do God's work or the Devil's work.

I personally encourage all people, especially criminals to read this book not to mention, this book is also inspiring. If one chooses to live a life in the right direction.

I found the book easy to understand and to read. I commend the writer for being a realist and for creating a book that put the devil's criminal thinking on the floor.

Although someone may find some of the crimes described to be very horrific however, it really shows how the devil can lead a person to show no sense of compassion for human life.

All in all I would grade the book to be an A+.



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Dear Mr. Moseley:

My name is Gloria G. Lee. I am the author of the Devil's Cauldron. I thank you for your review of my book. I have spent ten years of my life writing approximately 30 books. 11 of the books are written to men. The men at Camp Lehman are the first people I have allowed to read my work. I wanted an unapologetic analysis of my work and I thought who better to measure how I presented my information but the men I was writing. I was most concerned whether or not my writing could hold the interest of men incarcerated and whether or not the subject matter would be interesting.

I thank you for the A+ grade. It means a job well done. I was thrilled by your comments. I began writing in 1997 and it was not until now that my work has ever been read. So up until now I never knew whether or not my work was meaningful and effective.

Again I thank you for your comments. I would like to know if you would be mind if I shared your letter with others. I want to interest the public in providing more books for men to read while in prison. Your comments will help me in this effort. If you are amenable please discuss with Mr. Redwine.

Thank you,

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To Whom It May Concern:

After reading "If You Believe in God You Don't Belong in Prison," in particular Chapter Three which starts on a personal note, I realized how very pertinent the book was to my life-being; in that I already experienced some of the incidents and results described by Ms. Lee. I appreciate the common and spiritual advice given; and I believe it can assist someone in thinking about their choices prior to any harmful decisions.

What I've read so far has spurred me to put in prospective that I will be released from prison soon, I still have to decision to make which to pick up another gun or to live the way God intends for me to live as a Christian, and this book in my opinion, can and will help if what Gloria Lee suggests be applied to our thinking. Her realism in this book is uncanny and her research should be applauded.

Furthermore, it is noticed that she, in this wonderful reading is in line with practical application of cognitive thinking as well as and most importantly with the word of God.

Miss Lee said this book is written to the man looking in the mirror holding a gun. It is also for the man whose already picked up a gun and committed a crime. I look forward to more books such as this.

Your Truly,

Victor Penman



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Dear Mr. Penman:

My name is Gloria G. Lee. I thank you for reading my book and commenting on the content. "If You Believe in God You Do Not Belong in Prison" was an extremely hard book for me to write. I wanted so much for the book to impact lives. I am trying to stop men from throwing away their lives. Man does not understand he does not belong in prison. He was not made by God to spend his life in prison to be caged. God instructed men in the book of Genesis to find a wife, have children and leave his seed upon the earth. God did not command man to live his life in prison.

Men need to understand that they do not belong in prison; that they are a central part of the family and they should not spend 10, 20 or 30 years of their lives away from their children. I truly appreciate your comments but most importantly I am glad that you realize you must make a decision that you will never return to prison once you are paroled or released. Remain convicted that you will never return to prison that you are going to have to find another profession. It may be hard and it may tear at your ego but you must hold fast to your belief in God and He will provide you a way out. There are millions of people who do not like their lives. People are mostly unhappy this is why kindness is so important. When we greet people take joy in what you do. Start talking to Him now so He can lead you to make the right decisions. Before you leave prison you need to examine the way you think. Ask yourself why do I make the decisions I make? What is influencing my thinking? There are two biblical subjects I want you to study: faith and trust. Read the scriptures Jeremiah 17:7, Psalms 34:8, book of Matthews Chapter 6, Jeremiah 17:5, Proverbs 3:5-6, Luke 22:32, Hebrews 10:35 and Psalms, 125:1. These chapters discuss faith and trust in God. Remember faith is your confidence in God but trust is your commitment in God. You faith can wane but your trust should endure.

Faith means you believe that God can do a certain thing for you. But trust in God

means that even if He does not do what you ask Him to do you will still remain committed to Him. Find a couple of churches to attend so you can have some regularity in your life. Smile and develop confidence in yourself. Avoid negative people even if these people are members of your family.

Once you are released from prison, find a job. I don't care what kind of job it is as long as it is legal. The job can be dishwashing, waiting on tables, washing windows or washing cars. I don't care what. The job is necessary so you can feel you have some control over your life. Keep your own council avoid people who talk foolish. Make certain that you open up a savings account. If you can only save \$5.00 a week, save that \$5.00. It is important that you began a routine where you are building yourself. Pay all of your tickets. Pay your child support and make arrangements with the court. If you take these responsibilities upon yourself to solve, no one can control your life. You will not be subject to the court hounding you for child support. You will not have to listen to an irate woman screaming at you because you are not supporting your children. You will not be carted off to jail for driving on an expired license. Eat a moderate diet. Avoid old friends; they may not have changed. Buy and read a Bible. If you have children take some parenting classes and go to your local library and read books on parenting. It is important that you give yourself enough information so you can build a life of change.

Before you leave prison please ask Mr. Redwine to let you read "The Devil's Cauldron" and "You Are The Prophet of Your Life." These books discuss what you can do to change the way you think. A man's thinking is what leads him to prison. If a man changes the way he thinks and problem solves a man can change the results of his life. It is not easy being a man in fact being a man is hard but that is what God has called you to be. So while you are in prison you need to give thought to who and what you want to become. You need to begin reading and reading and reading, accumulating knowledge.

Again, I thank you for your help. I need to know if my writing would affect a person to cause them to reflect on their lives and to consider changing the direction in which they live.

Sincerely,

Gloria G. Lee

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Hello Miss Gloria Lee:

I just finished your book, *You Are The Prophet of Your Life*. I was pleased with the content of the book and felt you've done a good job keeping the interest of the reader by using actual events that happened. The way you were able to tie those events and tie in the Bible scriptures with those events was excellent research.

To be truthful, your book made me question my faith being I am involved with the Nation of Islam which the knowledge of Islam is beautiful on the moral and intellectual aspects of life however, your book made me realize that Christianity brings a person close with the spiritual aspect of life.

So the book made me or should I say, influenced me, to come back to Christianity begin being the Prophet of my own life. Keep putting out your book which you are blessed with a gift from God to influence the minds of your reader to get them on the righteous path of life spiritually if they would read with an opened mind.

I believe in your gift and thank you very much for your wisdom.

Love your brother!!



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October 8, 2009

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Dear Mr. Roosevelt:

My name is Gloria G. Lee. I am the author of *You Are The Prophet of Your Life*. I thank you for reading my book. Mr. Redwine phoned me yesterday and read your letter to me. He said he wanted me to know right away of your response to my book. I can only say I was overwhelmed at your reaction to my work. In the early morning hours of October 1999 I was instructed to write books for men. The instructions actually frightened me and I refused the assignment. I had never written a book before and I never pictured myself as a creative or an insightful person. I was overwhelmed by the experience nevertheless as I began researching material for my books. The more I wrote the more I became in awe of my assignment. Several times I asked God, "Why me?" Why did He give this assignment to me? I never doubted my assignment but there was always a question in my mind whether or not I would be successful.

Several times I had people tell me no one would read my books. In fact I had one man tell me that my writing was nothing but a hobby and that people would not spend money on my books. He said this to me in 2006. He spoke viciously to me belittling the work I was doing. He considered me to be stupid to write for 10 years without any remuneration. The first two years of my writing experience my child and I lived in my car. It was not easy to write under this condition, yet I believe God had instructed me to do so.

I continued to write and fought the doubt my so called friend transmitted in his words. I kept telling myself that the words he spoke were from the devil. I believe there is a God, therefore if there is a God He had the ability to speak to me. And since this God had the ability to speak to me I could be given the assignment of becoming a writer. See, some people refused to allow others to change positions in life. One friend may not accept that another friend changes from a home boy drinking beer and singing on the street to a father holding down a job, teaching his son to ride a bike, and cutting his

lawn. I refused to let the soothsayers dismay me. I kept telling myself I will not be moved.

It has taken me ten years and I have written 30 books. During this time I had no one to talk to about my work. I spoke nothing of my purpose to anyone lest they too cajole me. Finally this year I felt I had completed most of my assignment and I wanted someone to read my books. I decided it would only be fitting if I let the men incarcerated read my books first since they are the men God told me to lead back to him. I thank you for taking the time to write me. I wanted to scream when I read your letter but I had no one to share my joy. I called a friend and told her of the letter. I wanted to just shout. In fact I wanted to just scream and scream and scream. I stood and looked in the mirror and told myself, "You Did It! You succeeded at your task!" In 2000 I began writing the book entitled, "The Wall." In the book I explain to the reader my purpose for writing and I discuss the experience I had in 1999 when God told me to write to men. I shall try to make it possible for you to read this book. I think when you read the book you will be able to connect the spirituality you spoke of in your letter. If I had not been communicating with God for several years, I would not have heard His voice nor had confidence in His word to do as He instructed.

Peace unto.

Gloria G. Lee

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December 15, 2009

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When my mother first told me that her coworker (Gloria) wrote Christian books, I immediately wrote it off as something I wouldn't be interested in (see I'm not the religious type). I didn't even ask her the name of the book.

So a week or so passed before she (my mother), brought it up again and said that the lady (Gloria) would like to send me a copy to read. I instantly rejected the offer. Not because I'm ungrateful or anything like that; but because I know me. And I know if it's not something I deem interesting (Urban literature) I won't read it. So my mother relayed my message to this lady (Gloria), but it was too late.... She had already sent it off.

I received it that Monday (and you know in prison, any mail is better than no mail). Well, anyway, the c.o. comes to my door and tell me. I have mail, so I climb down off of my bunk and open my cell door, and he hands me this big UPS package. I immediately know what it is. So I open the package and pull it (the book) out. The first thing that catches my eye, as with any book, is the title. (Now I remind you that I never asked the name of the book). But this particularly title (If You Believe in God You Do Not Belong In Prison) caught my eyes because my belief in God isn't that strong.....if any at all.

At first I thought my mother was trying to be funny. But I decided I would give it a try anyway, and I gotta admit I'm glad I did. It was nothing like I expected. It seemed to be well researched and very informing, especially for those with a blind eye of how the system really works.

Now I'm not going to sit here and lie an say reading the book changed my life, or belief, but I won't say it can't change someone else's life. I will say this though, if you're skeptical of the contents of this books, as I once was, give it a try.

Jay Andrews

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December 20, 2009

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Dear Gloria:

Let me start off by saying thank you for the book; even though originally I said I didn't want it. But I can honestly say I'm glad my mother didn't relay the message in time, because I thoroughly enjoyed it. (I guess that's what y'all "believers would say was God's work.)

It was different from my usual reading material, which we all need from time to time. I feel one shouldn't never limit ones potential of learning/experiencing something new. I don't wanna say it's too late for me, cause it's never too late (as long as you're alive), but in a sense, it is and by that I mean, I've already picked up that gun and made that foolish choice of getting money the "easy way."

I guess what I failed to realize was the "intervening variable". And the funny thing is (now that I've read your book) when I look back. I never was nor is a real big betting man. But yet, there I was constantly betting with destiny. I had an old head tell me a couple years ago: "the more you do something (illegal), the greater your chances are of getting caught." But I never looked at it that way. Unconventional thinking had me believing that more I got away with it, the more I would. I guess you can say I was using that old adage: Practice makes perfect.

I don't wanna take up too much of your time so I'm going to end the letter on this note. I would like to check out some more of your work; and I would one day like to get into a more in- depth conversation with you about the book I've read, as well as the future books you plan on writing.

Sincerely,

Your Friend Jay

