

1/11/17: 9:05pm: Listening to: Bob Dylan Knockin on Heavens Door

Dear Bill,

Hi, long time, how are you? How's the family? I hope everyone is good, including the dog too. 2016 was a good and bad year. I was fortunate enough to watch my best friend AJ get married to a wonderful woman, they just had a baby girl, Isabella. AJ spent 16 years in here for a murder when he was 16 years old. We became like brothers in here and I love hearing his stories, the photo's he sends me and now, his itty bitty baby girl Izzy. I wanted to say I was a changed man Bill but I recently learned that I haven't changed as much as I thought. A man and his girlfriend raped and murdered the woman's 14 year old adopted daughter. I'm sure you know the case since it is from bucks county. To look at that child's innocent face on the news, to know she had been poisoned, raped, tortured, murdered, a part of me wants to make that man's life a nightmare if he ever comes to a prison with me. To murder an innocent child, it tears at me inside. I don't cry much but I cried seeing this on the news. I ask God why He allows poor innocents to be hurt like this. I wish I could get an answer. I have never seen the Christmas Carol movie that you mentioned but I promise that next Christmas, when it comes on tv, I will watch it. Christmas is just another day in here. I don't even call home. Only 3 of my family members even bothered to send me a christmas card. But I sent all of them cards. I was trying to reconnect with my family but I failed this christmas and I will not try again. My sisters in Ohio, my cousins, siblings, I give up trying. I will move on and focus on my friends and meeting new friends.

My Christmas lunch in here was terrible, but a friend made a huge stromboli & gave me half, I was stuffed Bill. Guys make better foods in here than in the world but they are costly in here. Everything costs more. But he funded the meal and it was better than some pizza joints I ate in during the 90's. 2017 is my new start. I need to be better. The man who murdered the Packer child, I would be his nightmare if he came here today. I am not ready to be free I guess. I don't know if my feelings over this are normal or not but people get killed. Its not right to murder. But look at Chicago, almost 800 murders last year. It happens and we can't change it. But to plan to poison, rape, torture and murder a little girl, that is not normal and the person I was peeked his head out of hiding when this news story broke. So you tell me Bill, are my feelings normal? Since I am in Luzerne county, I cannot see every news story on this. I only saw it because they dumped her body in the woods around here. Please let me know what happens with this trial when it's over. I might not see it on the news so please send me a comment and let me know. My heart breaks for that little girl.

I needed your comment today Bill, thank you. Take care, it's nice to hear from you so don't be a stranger when you have something on your mind. God Bless, Ciao.