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Mr. Jack Rubenstein:

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I am a Sunday School superintendant here in Springfield. Last Sunday, I asked our church people to do something special for Thanksgiving. Like write a letter to someone in a hospital, a government official and say thanks for something they did or a word of condolence to someone less fortunate. I think you would qualify in this last class, at this time.

I don't know what your faith is or if you have any. There is no atheist in the fox holes and I dare say there aren't many in prison and in your situation. For thanksgiving, there is the understanding that my GOD and YOURS, is able to forgive and forget. Reference, our Bible. Men sometimes can't forgive and this is the major difference between them and God. "All things are possible with God." It was a terrible thing that Lee Harvey Oswald did, destroying the President of America. It was wrong what you did, taking vengeance into your own hands. "Vengeance is mine sayeth the Lord." Didn't you think He could do it with justice and adequately? Let us all remember, "we have all sinned and come short of the glory of God," or "Let him who hath not sinned, cast the first stone." What you did, what Oswald did, what happened to our President, happens every day. Men kill men, with gun, car, etc. Only this deed, seemed different because of the victim. My only advice and I urge you to purge yourself of all hatred for Oswald.

I like to think that we all are tools in God's hand. We may not like this thought, but God uses us as instruments, as examples to accomplish His will. Thus no matter how good we are, or how bad, we serve His purpose. This may not be much help, but at least He is able to deliver you, if you so desire it.

Would you sign and return the enclosed card for me? The information could help people in my Sunday School.

Ernest K. Hoyer
believe this, my prayers go out for you and that you may know God.

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