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Dr. Charles Ryrie
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Dear Dr. Ryrie,

I am writing to express my deepest gratitude to you for the profound impact that you have had on my life and ministry.

It seems that the Lord has used you as a major catalyst in the most significant opportunities that I have had. My years at Word of Life were a tremendous help to me. I still remember going to Schroon Lake by way of Dallas and your graciousness and encouragement at that time. I know that apart from your positive recommendation the door at Word of Life would not have opened.

I remember struggling with what to do about a doctorate. You were the one that informed me about the program at New York University and encouraged me to move in that direction. I still recall the day you rode in my Volkswagon all the way down to New York City and the fellowship along the way. I know that you could have traveled in much more comfort and saved a good bit of time. Your personal concern at that time has been a tremendous benefit, and doubtless will continue to be so. From time to time I reflect on how different things would have been had I not gone to New York University. I appreciate your caring enough to take time to give me guidance.

The publication of <u>The Danger of Self Love</u> has given me a tremendous opportunity to expand my ministry. I know that it is very difficult to get anything published these days. I am sure that the responsiveness of Moody Press reflected your ground work on my behalf. Without your help I might still only have the manuscript.

You have also been a blessing in a more general sense through the Ryrie Study Bible. I did not realize how helpful a Bible could be until yours came out. It seems that you always answer the question that I am asking. It happened again just this morning during my quiet time.

I want to thank you for the very significant impact you have had on my life. Only eternity will reveal the tremendous difference that you have made. Had I been a student of yours at Dallas all your kindness might perhaps be explained as professional interest. However, you had no reason to help me except as a manifestation of the love of the Lord Jesus Christ. I will forever be grateful.

Sincerely in Christ,

Paul Brownback President

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