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Don't be afraid to give this gift to yourself. If you have a need, a fear, a prayer then this may be what you have been waiting for. This gift is yours to keep or give away; I have given it to you because I care about you. You can use it however you like.

When you have made your choice; when you have given your gift, call me, write me, email me, meet me for coffee or lunch, and let's talk about it. Share with me the joy that you found through giving and maybe we can find ways new ways to keep that joy alive.

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