A Special Note
Just For You!

Have you ever received a special note from someone? Maybe it was from your mom or dad, and the note said how much they love you. Or maybe you got a special note from a friend at school for your birthday or Valentine's Day. How did that special note make you feel? If you’re like me, you probably felt very excited and, most importantly, loved!

Did you know that God has written a special note for you? It’s true! God’s special note is the Bible. It’s a note written for you and me and for everyone in the whole world throughout all of history! In the Bible, God tells us so many things: things like instructions for how we should live but also notes of encouragement for when we feel sad or afraid. The Bible also tells us the greatest thing ever — that God loves us all so much that he sent his Son, Jesus, to die for us.

But what if you couldn’t understand God’s special note to you? You wouldn’t know what he has to say or what he thinks or feels about you. That’s what it’s like for people in nearly 2,000 languages around the world (and there are approximately 7,000 languages total) who don’t have the Bible yet. They don’t know what God is saying to them in their special note!

Mack and I thought we’d decode some verses for you — special notes from God to you and me! — so that you can “translate” them and understand what God says to us through the Bible. While you do it, you can pray for people all around the world to get the Bible in their language so that they can understand God’s special notes too.
Decoding God’s Special Notes

– 1 John 3:1a (NLT)
— Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)
1 John 4:9 (NLT)

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