

Letter 53
Inheritance
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Dear Dan,

My Father passed away on 29 October 2007. I was named the executor of his will.

Within days my wife, two younger brothers and I were sitting in the attorney's office. The lawyer went over the will, and any inheritance instructions. Everything was in order, and I was officially made the executor.

My parents were by no means rich, and the house I grew up in was sold after Dad retired because the property taxes were becoming too expensive for a retired custodian's pension. So Mom and Dad purchased a doublewide mobile home in a retirement park in (L9). I had to sell it as part of the estate, and dispose of any items not wanted by my two brothers and me. The funds were dispersed and the estate closed, and for the second time in our married life, (M) and I were able to dispose of all our debt, and pay off the second mortgage we had taken to pay off credit card debt which we incurred during and after the "Day Of 7".

With some of the money I had left I purchased my first Apple computer, a Mac Mini (2008 model). I liked it so much I then purchased a MacBook laptop. And of course, most recently I obtained the MacBook Air, which I wouldn't have done except that the first MacBook exhibited sings of malfunction, after the warrantee had expired. Funny thing. The MacBook started working again after I purchased the Air. So I now keep it at work in my locker and have used it extensively in writing these letters when I get to work early. The Air I take to Starbucks. I guess the Lord really wanted me to write these letters as I have the capacity to do so with triple redundancy; at home on the Mac Mini, at work on the MacBook, and at Starbucks with the Air.

I also inherited an almost new car, my Dad's Kia Rio. It got good mileage and had front wheel drive. There was a note obligation still outstanding on the vehicle, so (M) and I had to finance what was owed in order to keep the inheritance. A few months after I started driving it, I was going home from work. It was freezing outside with black ice on the roadway. Suddenly a pickup truck in another lane lost traction and sideswiped the Kia, sending it into a spin. There was another car stopped on the side of the highway. My car hit that car and spun around the opposite direction.

I was not injured other then some stressed muscles. But the insurance company decided to "total" the Kia. We received enough money to pay off the debt we had incurred plus enough extra to purchase some new power lift easy chairs, one each for (M) and me. So in that "accident" the Lord fine-tuned my inheritance by removing the rest of the debt, and blessing us with two real nice family room chairs in which to rest.

Blessings...

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