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Dear Vince ,

I know that you are an extremely busy man with many important item's on your agenda . I just ask that you take a few minute's of your time to read this letter .

I want to express my many regret's for all of the false statements and inappropriate action's that I have taken against you in the past . There is absolutely no excuse for the things that I have done regarding you and your buisness .

Having always had considered you and I to be friend's in the truest sense of the word , I was caught completely off guard when you let me go in Jan.1989 . With no explanation I was terminated . This left me very angry but more than that I was hurt . So I thought that I was justified when I verbally attacked you through the media and subsequently through the lawsuit , but that was not the case .

Vince , the most significant event that has happened to me is that I have rededicated my life to the Lord Jesus Christ . Very few people know this about me but when I was 19 years old I accepted the Lord into my heart as my personal saviour and went into the full time ministry . When God call's a person into the ministry it is a lifetime call . How one respond's to that call through out their life is up to them as God has given each of us a free will . Having renewed my commitment to that calling my eye's and my heart have been opened and this is the driving force behind this letter .

The public recognition that I have recieved as a professional wrestler has given me a wonderful platform to reach people of all age's with the message of Christ and His plan of salvation . Vince , I am asking you to forgive me for all of the wrong that I have done to you and your family . My prayer is that you will find it in your heart to accept my apology because I am truly sorry and as I have asked the Lord to forgive me , I now ask you .

In the bible in the book of Mark , chapter 8, verses 36&37 there are two scripture's that read "For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his own soul ? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul ?", also in the book of Psalms , King David compare's our life to that of a vapor , that is here one minute and gone the next . Valerie and I are praying that if

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you have'nt already asked Jesus to be your personal saviour
that you will do so now .


In closing I hope that I will someday have the opportunity
to speak with you over the phone or better yet in person .

With respect ,

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