

Hazelelponi,

People keep sending us letters. You're one of them. Some agree with us, some disagree, some just want to have a chat. Okay. Let's talk. Words are free, or as free as anything can be in this Empire of yours.

I'll say now, we're not looking to change the world here. The bloody Montanians wanted to change the world, and look where that got them. We're simple people, and we just want to be left alone to live our lives in peace. It's all we've ever wanted – the freedom to choose how to live, so long as we don't bother anyone else. If you have questions about how we want to live our lives, what we believe, then good for you. We'll answer them.

Know this: we don't care what you believe. We don't want you to believe what we believe. We don't care if you agree with us or not. You're responsible for your life, not us, and we're responsible for our lives, not you. If that sounds harsh I'm sorry, but it's basic respect. And if any bloody militia are reading this, opening people's post like you do, then we're not coming to preach. We'll answer questions, and maybe we'll have some opinions on how you run this Empire



of yours, but we're not here to convert anyone. We're foreigners, outsiders to your laws and your people, and that suits us just fine.

A group of our people are going to come to Anvil this Spring. If they make it on time, they'll show up at Anvil at three in the afternoon on Saturday. They'll go to the Forge, that pub we've heard about, and if anyone meets them there, good for them. Maybe they have a drink, maybe they find somewhere cheaper, because we don't have much cash on hand. We're simple people.

See you if you want. Ursol Gwin