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### Assurance **By Tony Alamo**

"Without faith [in]

God's Word] it is impos-

sible to please [God]"

(Heb.11:6). After the

gift of initial salvation,

the Christian is com-

manded to walk in a

new life, the Spiritual

life,<sup>1</sup> which is a life of

letting Christ continue

His incarnation in the

Christian's human



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body, living and doing the same kind of work He did in His own human body approximately two thousand years ago.<sup>2</sup> If Christ is living and working both in and through us, the Father knows Christ is in us living and working God's work, and the Father, by our obedience and cooperation with Christ, is assured that we are His. We know that He is ours because His "Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God" (Rom. 8:16).

Knowing that God belongs to us gives us the courage and confidence to know "if God be for us, who can be against us?" (Rom. 8:31). And if God be with us, "a thousand [can] fall at [our] side, [and] ten thousand at [our] right hand, but it will not come near [us]. Only with [our] eves shall we behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because [we] have made the Lord, which is [our] refuge" even the Lord our habitation (Psa. 91: 7-9 orig. and KJV).

Because of God's presence in us, the world can see that we, God's ministers, are God's authority in this world.<sup>3</sup> The Holy Spirit in both the original and King James Version Bibles (Continued on page 2)

1 Rom. 7:6-7, 8:1-14, II Cor. 5:17-21, 7:1, 3:18, Gal. 6:16, Eph. 4:22-25, Col. 2:11-13, 3:9-17, I Pet. 2:9, II Pet. 1:3-4, I John 2:15-7, 3:14, Rev 21:3, 7 2 Matt. 7:24-27, 9:37-38, 20:1-7, 24:44-51, Luke 9:23-24, 14:16-24, 27, John 10:3-5, 14:15-20, 23, 26, 15:4-11, 17:21-23, 26, Rom 10:14-15, I Cor. 3:9, 16-17, 6:19-20, 9:16-17, 15:10, Eph. 3:16-21, Col. 1:27-29, II Tim. 1:14, 4:1-2, 5, Jas. 2:14-20, 4:6-7, Rev. 3:20 3 Gen 41:38-44, Ex. 3:7-12, 14, 4:21-23, 7:1-6, 19-25, 9:13, Chs. 8-11, 12:29-33, Deut. 10:12, Josh. 3:7, Psa. 2:1-5, 52:1-7, 62:11, Dan. 3:10-30, Ch 4, 6:6-23, Matt. 10:34-35, 21:23-27, 28:18, Mark 12:17, 29-30, Luke 9:1-2, 19:13, Acts 4:1-3, 5-7, 13-31, 5:14-29, 12:3-11, 21-23, Rom. 13:1 3-4, I Cor. 6:1-3, II Cor. 10:4-5, Eph. 4:27, 6:12, Tit. 2:11-15, Jas. 4:7, I Pet. 2:17, Rev. 2:26-28, 5:10, 14:9-11, 16:2, 22:3-5

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The Greatest Miracle in Print: the Record of

# The Messiah

# According to Bible Prophecy

"To HIM give all the prophets witness" (Acts 10:43). "In the volume of the Book it is written of Me" (Psalm 40:7, Hebrews 10:7).

#### The Miracle of All Literature: the Portraval of the Perfect God-man

Now we come to the miracle of all literature: the portrayal of the perfect God-man, Jesus the Christ, in the New Testament. That which is given in an abstract way in the Old Testament's portrayal of the coming perfect Messiah becomes a concrete reality in the flesh and person of Jesus the Christ in the New Testament. In the Lord Jesus we see the One who is altogether lovely, the chiefest among ten thousand, the delight of the Heavenly Father.<sup>1</sup>

Christ's perfectly poised godliness was not unbalanced by eccentricities or human faults. His perfections were not tainted by pride or His wisdom marred by any folly. His equity was not twisted by prejudice, and His justice was not adulterated by selfish whims. He had a becoming dignity, which was happily blended with God's gracious humility to do God's will. He had concern for others, zeal, patience, tact without dishonesty, and frankness without sin. His authority was balanced and blended with gentleness, patience, reproof, rebuke, and great power, as well as a

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# PENNSYLVANIA

Dear Pastor Tony,

Praise the Lord, how are you and the family doing and feeling this Thanksgiving? I pray that you are all well, and your hearts are content, and your stomachs are full. Not too much is going on here with me, I'm still waiting on my green sheet. I probably won't be leaving here until sometime in late December or January, but either way, I'm still going to contact you so you will know how I'm coming along. I sure thank our Lord for putting that young man in my life that introduced us, because you, Pastor, have been a true friend and a great brother in Christ to me. I pray that you will receive all the blessings that you deserve. I'm sure you're not looking for any kind of payback, and I'm sure that the help comes from your heart, so I really, really hope that only good will come upon you in your remaining life. I've never met anvone like vou. What I mean is, you are a helper of the Lord and you live (Continued on page 3)

## **ETHIOPIA**

Dear World Pastor Alamo,

First of all, I would like to give a warm greeting to you and your ministry, and I extend my thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus for your invaluable and wonderful gift.

DearPastor, I received your literature and Holy Bible, which you sent for me, and I have been distributing these literatures to other friends, and after they read, all have repented. Dear Pastor, without doubt, these literatures are changing my life, because it has taught me the right and the wrong, and showed the way how to become a good Christian. Some friends who have taken your literatures from me said that when they had said the prayer which is

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<sup>1</sup> Contrast with Christ the wily Mohammed who pretended to receive a divine warrant to sanction his past impurities and to license his future crimes. How different was the Lord Jesus! He said, "If I do not the works of My Father, believe Me not" (John 10:37)

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wants to drive this lesson home in our minds, hearts, and souls. We who are the ministers of God's Word are the authorities of God on earth." Listen to the Holy Spirit when He tells the world to "let every soul be subject unto the higher powers for there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. For [God's] rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil [works of the ungodly rulers of darkness and those who follow them]." The Spirit continues, "Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power?" God's rulers "are the ministers of God...for He beareth not the sword [the Word of God] in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger of wrath upon him that doeth evil" (Rom. 13:1-4). This means "The law is...for the lawless" (I Tim. 1:9). Those who break the law of God are to be taken to law and given the penalty which God prescribes in His Word.<sup>4</sup> Christ said, "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil [to show the world that the law can be kept by weak human flesh if the Triune God abides in the bodies and the spirits of humans]" (Matt. 5:17).

If God's law is not implemented, we see a world of rebellion and lawlessness, as we see in the world today. This is because the rulers of darkness that sit in high places have replaced God's law with another law, the law of sin and death.5 The world is no longer a safe place to live. If the world were to be a safe place to live, it would have to submit itself to the law of God and its oracles, and to the true authorities of God, which again are the ministers of God.<sup>6</sup> Revelation 2:26-27 plainly shows that the authorities of God are God's ministers, those who keep His commandments: "He that overcometh [all evil] and keepeth My works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron [the rod of iron is God's unchanging, unshakable Word, the law]." We cannot keep the law of Moses and rule over the Pharaohs of the world with a rod of iron, God's Word, as Moses did, unless we assure the Lord that we belong to Him (Rom. 8:2).

The secular authorities do not minister God's Word. Nor do they keep God's law, or rule by it. They are the exact opposite of God's law, rule, and authority. We can obey all the rules of secular government as long as we don't obey them if they tell us to disobey God's Word, God's law, or God's authority.7 If secular authorities command us to disobey God, we are to be exactly like Moses,

Joshua, Samuel, Job, Jeremiah, Daniel, the three Hebrew children, the prophets, and the apostles, who were God's authorities.8 All were the ministers of God, and all disobeyed secular authorities whenever they were commanded to do anything against God's will.

Daniel and the three Hebrew children quickly disobeyed the unregenerated secular authorities of their day. For this, God delivered them from the fiery furnace and from the lion's den.9 This showed the secular authorities and the world that "there is no power [no authority] but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God" (Rom. 13:1). Daniel and the three Hebrew children were the authorities of God, God's ministers, and they had God's power in their lives working for them.

Nebuchadnezzar was not the authority or the power of God. God made Nebuchadnezzar walk on all fours and eat grass like an ox for seven years to show him who the real authority and power was.<sup>10</sup> After the seven years, Nebuchadnezzar gave glory to God by saying, "I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto Heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honored Him that liveth forever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and His kingdom is from generation to generation: And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and He doeth according to His will in the army of Heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay His hand, or say unto Him, What doest Thou?" (Dan. 4:34-35).

This is no fairy tale. This actually happened. I know because God showed me. I was a person who once had more ego than anyone else I knew on earth because of the tremendous things I had done in the business world, along with many other things. I didn't believe God existed, but when God's awesome power fell upon me, my ego instantly evaporated. I felt like less than a speck of dust, and all I wanted was for God to tell me what He wanted me to do. I was grieved because I didn't know what I could do to show Him that I was incredibly afraid to meet Him on Judgment Day without having done something for Him.

When a person runs into the power of God, as Nebuchadnezzar, the Apostle Paul, I, and many others have, they will know that no man can say to God, "What doest Thou [or what, God, are you doing]?"11 That would never enter into the mind of anyone who really knows God. A person that knows God will not do anything unless they definitely hear from God.

How can anyone be so foolish as to call heathen governments God's rulers? In order to be a ruler of God, you must first assure Him that you belong to Him. Are secular rulers the rulers of God when they take Bibles away from everyone, when they condone abortion, when they burn men, women, and children in Waco, when they murder millions of people all over the world, when they condone adultery, fornication, and homosexuality, when they hand out condoms in school, when they condone and support the antichrist doctrine of the Roman church, when they take Christian dollars to support such evils, when they close true churches of God down, when they falsely accuse God's rulers on earth, and when they pay false witnesses to lie about God's rulers and send them to prison? Are these God's rulers? No, they are not. I don't believe anyone thinks they are. "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places" (Eph. 6:12).

It is the secular leaders who will ask you to take the mark of the beast. If you take this mark in your forehead or right hand, God's Word says you will spend eternity in Hell.<sup>12</sup> There is the living God,<sup>13</sup> and there is a real devil.<sup>14</sup> There are the real rulers of God on this earth, and there are the real rulers of the darkness in high places on earth. They are the very ones that are against the true rulers, God's ministers.

Obeying satanic kings or rulers when they tell you to disobey God is the same as worshipping Satan. This is because you are disobeying God's authority by keeping the commandments of Satan. We are to tell all those who tempt us to serve or to worship Satan, which is contrary to God, the same things Jesus told the devil when he tempted Him to serve or to worship him: "Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve" (Matt. 4:10). Here, Jesus plainly shows us that we are to strongly and steadfastly reject and oppose not only Satan but all of his satanic kings or rulers, those who would tempt us with such evil. We are not to use worldly weapons like guns, bullets, swords, bombs, poison gas, anthrax, or anything other than the Word of God, which is the most powerful weapon in the world.15 If it were not, Jesus would not have chosen it with which to fight Satan.<sup>16</sup>

Jesus is God's authority on earth.<sup>17</sup> All those having the life of Jesus in them must study the Word that they might grow to the fullness of Christ's stature,<sup>18</sup> so that Christ in them is able to continue as God's authority through this last age till He appears in the eastern skies "with ten thousands of His saints" (Jude 14). "Behold, He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see Him, and they also which pierced Him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him" (Rev. 1:7). I pray for all men, including the secular au-

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<sup>4</sup> Deut. 32:4, Lev. 19:1-2, Eccl. 12:14, Dan. 4:37, Matt. 5:17-19, John 5:14, Rom. 12:19, Eph. 5:27, I Cor. 6:1-3, I Tim. 1:8-10, Heb. 12:14, Jas. 2:9-13, I Pet. 1:15-16 5 Rom. 8:2 6 Gen. 6:5-8, 19:12-13, 24-26, Ex. 19:5, 20:5-6, Lev. 26:3-12, Deut. 4:29-31, 5:29, 7:9-11, 8:19-20, 11:26-28, Ch. 28, II Chron. 7:14, Ps. 1:1-4, 9:17-20, 11:5-7, Ch. 23, 25:14, 31:19, 37:17-22, 28-40, Prov. 1:24-33, 2:22, 27-30, 11:5, 21, 14:11, Isa. 1:19-28, 13:11, 48:22 Ezek. 18:20, Dan. 9:4-14, John 14:21, Rom. 2:6-11, 10:3-4, Gal. 6:8, Heb. 13:17, Jas. 4:7-10, II Pet. 2:4-13, I John 2:2-6, 3:24, 4:16, 5:3 7 Gen. 39:7-12, Prov. 5:3-8, Dan. 3:12, 12-18, Jonah Ch. 2, 3:1-5, Matt. 4:8-10, 5:25, 5, II Pet. 3:18

# **GEORGIA**

#### PHILIPPINES

Dear Pastor Alamo,

Greetings in Jesus' mighty and powerful name. I appreciate and thank God for your ministry and all you've been doing all over the world. First of all, I would like to introduce myself. My name is J.B., married with four children. I am 30 years old. I have received your newsletter and a Holv Bible. First I received volume 04100. and second I received volume 03600. All of this came from Pastor J.F., one of your distributors here in the Philippines. You know, Pastor, I want to thank you with all of my heart for the newsletter with the message, "Accepting the Discipline of the Holy Spirit." Pastor, I would like to request literature and other information that you may have. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your obedience to sacrifice yourself wholly to the Lord, to get such wonderful messages from our merciful Heavenly Father, who wants us to grow strong in His grace. May the Lord continue to bless this ministry.

Very truly yours,

General Santos City, Philippines I.B.

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up to it, I just never met any pastors that help people and don't ask for anything back. When I was living a worldly way of life, I ran into a pastor, that I seen was doing some gardening work around his church. At the time, I was very hungry and did not have any kind of way to get any food, so I offered my help, in return I asked him for something to eat, and he told me no, that he did not want my help, so I asked him if he could give me something to eat anyway and he told me no to that, as well. My feelings were hurt

### **TEXAS**

Pastor Tony,

I write this letter to you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Hoping and praying that the Lord will keep on blessing you and the ministry that He has given you. I want to thank you for the book and the newsletters that you send me. I really enjoyed the book and the messages that you have printed in the newsletters. They have really helped me build up my faith in the Lord Jesus. I really appreciate the help and support that you have given my wife. It has really made a difference in her life, too. It is good to hear that people are that concerned about other people's lives. It is hard to find Christians who will support people the way you do. Most Christians will only support you till the going gets rough, then they will run off and leave you on your own. I thank God that He said He will never leave us or forsake us. We can depend on Him. Once again, thank you for everything. God bless you,

Huntsville, Texas

## PENNSYLVANIA

J.V.

and what pride I had was gone. I wanted so bad to help him, to show him how green my thumb was, I just put my head down and walked away. For a while, I did not look up to pastors because of that time, I felt like I hated all preachers. I look back at that time now, and I realize that's the way the devil wanted me to feel and think. Today, I really appreciate having someone such as yourself come into my life, I was really lost. People always tell me that God is good, but I say He is great. I wonder sometimes and think

WASHINGTON

Dear Brother and Pastor Alamo,

I want to first of all thank the Lord and you for the literature I just received. They truly are a great blessing to me, because they deal with the doubts I had, and there is no doubt that you are used by God through His Spirit through the literature you write. I have also read the testimonies of the brothers throughout the world, and I know that we are going through trials, tribulations and persecutions for the gospel's sake, and that everything that's happening is fulfilled prophecy, and prophecy that is about to be fulfilled. I am sure of my salvation, and I know that by the power of the Holy Spirit we can tread on serpents and scorpions and all the attacks from the enemy.

Brother, may God bless you and your ministry, and let us pray for all the brothers all over the world that suffer for the cause of Christ. Please pray for me, brothers, for I will be praying for you, and may the grace and peace from God be upon you all. Also, the literature that you have been sending me, I have been distributing it at my job. Please send me more, for it's a pleasure for me to receive them and distribute them to those that need them. Thank you in advance. May God bless you all. Your brother in Christ,

O.S.

Gainesville, Georgia

why did Jesus save me from the life that I was living? I realize that our Lord has a job for me to do, and that is why I am still living. For now and for later, please keep me in your prayers. I will always mention your name as I pray. Tell the family hello for me and God bless them all. God bless you, brother Tony.

Yours in Christ, W.M.

Houtzdale, Pennsylvania

#### Dear Pastor Alamo,

We received two of your letters in the have money to, but we do collect and mail. We don't know how you got our hand out literature to our doctor offices, name, but feel the Lord wanted us to children's homes, and retirement homes. have your literature, and yes, we have Please keep us on your mailing list, and passed it on. This is the first time we have send us the book The Messiah, some heard of you. We are eighty-two and literature on how your ministry got eighty-four years old, and been followers started, also The Pope's Secrets literature of Christ since our youth, as have our - anything else you can spare! My children, grandchildren, and now our husband's side of the family are German great-grands, as they become of knowl- Lutherans, mine are Baptists and Christ edgeable age. There are several new- Disciples. Both pastors have been happy borns, who we pray much for. At our age, with this literature of yours. We feel led to many things we cannot do anymore or get more handed out. Enclosed is a check

to help cover some expenses as we know your ministry can use it. It's not much, but we ask God to bless and use it. We live next to Fairchild Air Force Base and have many relatives in the service. Chaplains and others are so glad to get Christian literature, especially now, so many are asking questions and wanting Bible answers since the September 11 tragedy - especially at rehab homes, etc. The homeless and street people are even asking for Christian literature. God bless you one and all, Medical Lake, Washington Mrs. K.E.

#### INDIA



Top – Alamo Christian Ministries Associate Minister, John Babu with some of his congregation-Amalapuram, India. Center and right-Distributing Pastor Alamo's Spirit-filled literature translated into Telugu, around Amalapuram, India.

# MISSISSIPPI

Dear Pastor Alamo,

I thank God every day for raising men full of the Holy Spirit like you. I rejoice each time I receive literature from you, for it has been a great blessing to the brothers here and to myself, as well. Those of us that are in this institution in Mississippi, don't have no one from the outside to bring us the Word, and it seems like there are no Spanish congregations here also, but your literature has helped us to study and then share what we've learned with the congregation. I want to thank God for not letting you forget about us inmates, and I want to thank you for obeying Him. May the Lord continue to bless you and your congregation.

Thank you,

C.G.

Yazoo City, Mississippi



GHANA

Dear Pastor,

I am very much delighted to get your contact line through one of your World Newsletters. I am a young man of thirtyseven years of age, who has spent the greater part of my life in the world doing everything that pleased me. One day, I saw the above magazine in a friend's hand, and after reading through it, I met Jesus Christ as my Savior. Pastor, all that I can say here is, may God richly bless you and give you long life, that you, through Jesus, will live and save many sinners as myself. Dear Pastor Alamo, I have resolved to pay back my wasted years unto the Lord by means of the gospel ministries. I therefore humbly plead to you to help me achieve my objective by supplying me with some literature, video and audio cassettes. Ever since I gave my life to Jesus Christ, I've not stopped witnessing to the people in my locality. I hope these materials will help me to reach many souls. I need your support and guidance in this direction. I promise to be a faithful servant in your ministry, and to God in general. I hope my application will meet your favorable consideration. God bless you. Yours sincerely, F.M.

Hohoe, Ghana

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hatred towards Satan and a no-nonsense toughness against Satan.

He was never defeated. He never had to retract a statement, offer an apology, change His teachings, confess a sin or a mistake, or ask advice from humanity. He always had the right answer-the will and the Word of God.

He went about doing good, prayed always, gave God glory and thanks in all things, and had no interest in the accumulation of material things. He lived and died in poverty, yet He never lacked until His sufferings on the cross.

His miracles were all beneficent, and never for vainglory. He was the perfect Teacher, living what He taught. He was one of us in the truest sense as "the Son of man," yet He was not one of us, for He never sinned. He was from above, not from the earth, and He was the unique Son of God. "Never man spake like this man." He was the proof that man could become perfect by His presence with the Father by the Spirit living and working in regenerated man.

He who said, "I am the Light of the world" (John 9:5) opened the eyes of many who were born blind so that all could see His right to the claim and know He was the Messiah. He who said, "I am the resurrection, and the life" (John 11:25), proved these were sober words of truth by raising Lazarus from the dead! (John 11:43-44). He who said, "I am the bread of life [meaning the Word of God]" (John 6:35) gave full evidence that He was all He claimed to be by performing the symbolic miracle of feeding five thousand with a few loaves and fewer fish (John 6:5-14). If Jesus were not the true Messiah, the Savior of the world, what an unmitigated crime against humanity, what brash folly, what unforgivable egotism it would have been for Him to make the promises He did, and so deceive people for time and eternity. Certainly such evil could not come from One as good and as loving as Jesus. We believe and are sure that He is indeed the Christ, the Son of God, the One who came into the world to be the Redeemer of mankind.

Volumes have been written, and more volumes will be written, on the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ. It should be sufficient to state that Jesus is the express image of the invisible God (Heb. 1:3), the sum and substance of all good, the One in whom dwelt all the fullness of the Godhead in a real human body (Col. 2:9). His holiness shone with undimmed lustre; His loveliness was as pure and genuine as the glory of God. His love was as selfless and as complete as the love of God, for in all the history of the world mankind has never seen, except in the death of Christ, a perfect God-man dying under an unparalleled weight of unmerited agony. The mighty yet lowly Royal Sufferer uncomplainingly bore the weight of the sin of the race in His atoning death on the cross.

(2) The Messiah's Supernatural "Miracle" Works are clearly foretold. He must, as His Hallmarks, show Supernatural Works that prove Him to be the God-appointed, Godsent Redeemer. As His "Special" Work, the Messiah will offer Himself as a Substitutionary Sacrifice to redeem the Race.

The Messiah's whole ministry must BLESS the people. As Isaiah foretold:

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me; because the Lord hath anointed Me to preach



Brother Z.B. with other Alamo Christian Ministries congregation receiving Bibles and soul-winning Gospel literature.

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written at the back of the newsletters, they had felt God had come to live in their heart, and Satan was driven away, so they have repented and become Christians. I am working where there are many friends who have not given their lives to Christ. Dear Pastor, I am living in the place where there is a few number of Christians to worship together, and where there is not any pastor who teaches the righteousness of God, but from the time the words on your literatures were preached, we got a few additional Christian friends, so our number is increasing. I would like to ask one question - Pastor, can we call our church by the name of your ministry?

Dear Pastor, finally, we wait your immediate and positive reply. God bless you.

Yours sincerely, Z.B.

Dangila Town, Ethiopia

Dear Pastor Tony,

Receive many greetings in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. I was very excited when I received your large packet containing the gospel literature, with a number of ten different volumes, one Holy Bible, King James Version, and one Messiah book. The literature you sent me, I supplied them to my friends and in fact, most of them, including me, were touched, and we were encouraged in our spiritual beings. I have received your recent letter containing two newsletters. In fact, Pastor, I want to say a word of thanks for your concern for others. The day I received your last two literatures, I was discouraged, and when I read The Sin of Unbelief, I was greatly encouraged and felt uplifted in my spirit.

good tidings unto the meek; He hath sent Me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord...to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified." (Isa. 61:1-3).

The Messiah, as the Lord God in the midst of His people, must be the miracle worker par excellence:

"Behold, your God will come...He will come and save you. Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert." (Isa. 35:4-6).

"I the Lord have called thee in righteousness.. and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a Light of the Gentiles; To open the blind **KENYA** 

Pastor, you wrote to me that I should let you know the number of copies I would need to distribute. I would be happy if you could get me six hundred and fifty copies. That would be enough for my school mates, and the remaining I'll supply to people in my village. Also, it will enable me to win more souls to God, and may God bless your ministry for your concern for others. I hope you will send them soon. Thanks in advance. Your in Christ Jesus, J.O.

Kisumu, Kenya

Dear Pastor Alamo,

With all pleasure and due respect, please allow me to salute you even though we have not met before, but I

eyes [do away with spiritual blindness], to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house." (Isa. 42:6-7). Satan's power is broken by our faith and our obedience to God by the power of God living and working in us.

The Messiah is the worldwide SAVIOR for "salvation unto the end of the earth" (Isa. 49:6), a "Light of the Gentiles" (Isa. 11:10, 42:6), and the "Redeemer of Israel" (Isa. 42:6; also 49:7).

In the New Testament, Christ is the worldwide Savior: "For God so loved the WORLD, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

When the prophet Simeon, in the temple, saw the Child Jesus, he knew this was the Christ. He said, "Lord,...mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, Which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A Light to lighten the Gentiles, and the Glory of Thy people Israel" (Luke 2:29-32). (See also Luke 1:68-79; Rom. 3:29.)

look forward to doing so someday. May God Almighty continue to keep you safe. Dear Pastor Alamo, I thank you for the literature that you have labored to send to me without any charge. You don't know how grateful I am, and how thankful for these blessings which I received. Your literature has helped me out by increasing my knowledge about how blinded I was before receiving your literature. Please, Pastor, I would like to request more literature and some Bibles which I can give to some church members who have no Bibles. Please, Pastor Alamo, may God bless you. Yours faithfully, N.L.

Kakamega, Kenya

The Messiah's special work is to offer Himself once, and once only, His soul and His body, as a ransom, an offering, and a sacrifice, so that sinners can be forgiven for their former sins, as well as for sins of ignorance if they are never committed again (see Isa. 53:4-6, 10, 12). This is because if you realize you have ignorantly committed a sin, repent of it, then commit the sin again, it is not construed to be a sin of ignorance any longer, but a deliberate sin. If a sin unto death is committed after salvation, it is no longer forgivable.<sup>2</sup> By this supreme sacrifice of Himself, He will "bruise" Satan's head (Gen. 3:15 with Heb. 2:14; I John 3:8); and by that great work of redemption He will establish a kingdom that will last forever (Dan. 7:14; Isa. 9:7; Luke 1:32-33).

Turning to the New Testament, we see the identification of the Old Testament Messiah with the Christ of the New to be perfect, as far as His holy perfection, His "works," and His special "work" on the cross are concerned.

To be continued in the January 2002 issue.

<sup>2</sup> I John 5:16-17

# SOUTH AFRICA

Dear Pastor Tony Alamo,

Warm greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I had contact with your literature last year from evangelism in Nigeria before I left for this country early this year for mission/ studies. Your literature has been exhausted here for my mission works among the farm settlers and villagers in the northern part of South Africa. Neighboring countries such as Mozambigue and Swaziland were also beneficiaries. Would you please send me all literature necessary to give out during my second phase of mission/studies in earnest, such as literature, newsletters, Bibles, etc. God commissioned me to preach the gospel, particularly to the unreached and Muslim communities. You are not here in this part of Africa physically, but your literature is winning souls!! Almighty God shall bless you more abundantly for this great work. Eagerly waiting for quick delivery of all your literature in a few weeks time, please. Yours in His vineyard, T.Z. Barberton, South Africa

## NEVADA

Hello and praise God,

My name is R.G. I am in prison in Nevada. I woke from a nap and found two of your newsletters on my desk. Now, just where they came from, I don't know, but as I read them, I see they are Heaven-sent. They are volumes 03900 and 04000. I am not on your mailing list, but I would be blessed if you were to put me on it. Thank you!

R.G. Indian Springs, Nevada



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Dear Pastor Tony Alamo,

To God be the glory, great things He hath done! Amen. I am writing to inform you how God is mightily working through us, by your help, in spreading the gospel. For the first time in my life, I traveled to another town of another region with some brothers for evangelism. God did a great thing in the village we visited. The name of the village is Kafodzidzi, which means "The debtor also dines." Many lives were touched and transformed. In all, twenty-one souls were won for the Lord. Hallelujah! Kafodzidzi, a suburb of Komenda of the central region of Ghana, received us gladly. Hundreds of your newsletters were distributed. Thank you very much for those tracts. I am very much overjoyed. I will, however, plead with you to assist us in Bibles, as many people we encountered asked for Bibles. We will also need your financial support for the great work we have begun. We know with you on our side, others will be able to reach remote areas where the gospel is scarcely preached or heard. May the good Lord continue the good work He has started in you and by you. We need more literature and tapes for distribution.

Pastor Bernie Lazar Hoffman, I am ending this letter with thanks, as you are making it available and possible for me to come over to you. Thank you very much for helping win souls unto the glory of God. Your prayer

## **OKLAHOMA**

Dear Pastor Alamo and church,

I felt a letter of testimony directed to all who will hear appropriate in writing. I was at the church for about fifteen years. I lived and worked among the saints of God. Tony and Susan Alamo were my pastors and my spiritual parents, who begot me to the Lord. The day Susan Alamo went to be with the Lord, our blessed Savior, Pastor Alamo proceeded on feeding the flock of God taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly, not for money or dishonest gain, but with a ready mind. Through much longsuffering and doctrine, he stood strong in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, correcting and reproving justly, according to the Word of God. I know, because I was there and witnessed the work of the Lord being done in and through Pastor Alamo. I fell away from the Lord Jesus and left the flock of God, to my own confusion. Because Pastor Alamo stood in the sound doctrine of our Lord, the Word of God, mercy was given to me through him, in that I might finally do what he always preached, hate Satan, turn your back on him, and come to Christ. I know everything in God's Word is true. My will is to be totally set free from my backslidden state.

# GHANA

series audio tapes are of real help to me. I need more. Pictures we took with the folks of Kafodzidzi will be mailed to you in due course. Shalom. I always remain...

Your servant and son in the Lord, E.A. Sekondi, Ghana

#### Dear in Christ,

Reverend B.A.

I am writing you to thank you for the quality literature you sent to me, which has touched many souls for Christ. In fact, anyone I gave this literature to surrendered his life to Christ, and this has shown how spiritual your literature is. It is the instrument that persuades this unbelieving world to repent and believe in Jesus as their Lord and personal Savior. This literature has really helped us more in our evangelism work, and we are also happy about their testimony, so it is encouraging us to work more, but we are having a lot of problems, like those that we distribute the literature to, they return back asking us to give them a Bible to read, and we can see that they cannot afford to buy one, so it becomes our burden. Please, Pastor Alamo, I am pleading that my people they cannot afford to buy the Bible, so please kindly send me more of your tracts and twenty Bibles for distribution, to support our work to send the good news to the people of my country. May God richly bless you all as you are willing to help. Yours in Christ,

Accra, Ghana

The will I have again is because of the preaching of my beloved Pastor Alamo. Needless to say, my prayers are for you and for the entire Body of Christ. Thank you, Sir, thank you. Count me among you. Sincerely,

F.S. Noble, Oklahoma P.S. - I never found any joy or happiness in my backslidden state, only sorrow of mind and <u>all</u> the curses God promises those who turn away from the way, the truth, and the life. Oh, that I had only believed God's Word and received the preaching of the Holy Spirit. <u>All</u> will be revealed at judgement day, very soon. Praise the Lord, I believe now.

### **IDAHO**

Dear Pastor Alamo,

I have been reading the excerpts from your book, "The Messiah," in the Alamo Christian Ministries World Newsletter, with great interest. I would like very much to have an edition of this book. Not only would I like it for myself, but I want to use it as a teaching tool in preaching at our inmate services, where all our sermons and messages are on the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Sincerely, C.H.

Boise, Idaho

#### Assurance

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thorities and kings, because I know if they don't become as I am, a born-again believing Christian who keeps all of God's commandments, they will spend eternity in Hell with no possibility of escape.<sup>19</sup> This doesn't mean a mere mortal life in Hell: it means an eternity there.<sup>20</sup>

At one time, I believed there was no Heaven or Hell like most of the other ignorant, unregenerated people believe. I'm sure that after salvation I would have believed the false prophets, such as Pope John Paul II, who says there's no Hell. John Paul II said this in the November/December 2001 special collector's edition of the U.S. News and World Report in an article entitled, "Mysteries of Faith." On page 51, paragraph 4, he states that Hell is not a real place but a state of mind, or a mere separation from God. The Bible doesn't say that. It says Hell is a real place prepared for Satan, his angels, and all those who disobey God.<sup>21</sup> God assures you, I, and the world of Hell. There are many testimonies in God's Word, the Bible, demonstrating that Hell is a real place where disobedient souls are tormented eternally.<sup>22</sup>

Many millions of people living today, including myself, have seen visions of Hell and heard the frustrated cries of souls who are shocked out of their wits by its existence when they arrive there and experience the utter, futile sorrow, pain, despair, and weeping. I've heard the voices in Hell crying, "Oh no, it's true!" And, "Oh no, it's me! Oh no, it's forever! Oh no, this is never going to end! Oh no, it's only going to get worse! Oh no, it's only going to get more painful! Oh no, I'm never going to have water again! Oh no, I'm never going to have rest again! Oh no, I cannot even sit down again! Oh no, this pain will only get worse and worse! Oh, please, no! Let me have another chance! Oh, please let this be a nightmare and let me soon awaken from it! But oh no, it's not a nightmare, and oh, I shall never awaken from it! I am awake and I'm here in Hell, and it is real!" I heard them gnawing on their tongues for pain, heard teeth gnashing, and heard people weeping.<sup>23</sup> I could, in the Spirit, sense the hatred they had for themselves for not having believed God's Word, for not having believed that Hell was real and that it was forever.<sup>24</sup> And I felt from them a cruel hatred for the false prophets who cunningly led them astray, making sure their souls would forever be tormented with many thousands of torments in Hell. "Oh no, this torture will never end!" And all over again, "Oh no, it's me! Oh no, I'm in Hell! Oh no, it's real!"

I've seen it, I've heard it, and it was more than enough to keep me seeking the Lord and letting Him have His way in me. I am God's authority on earth, and I can tell you with all authority from God that there is a Heaven, and there is a place just like this in Hell. People there are being tortured forever and saying the things I told you they were saying. If you don't believe the Bible, and if you don't believe the visions I've seen and heard, then let me say this: one day you will. If you wait until then, it will be too late. Remember, millions, as well as myself, who are alive today in this month of December, 2001, have seen Christ, have seen Heaven, and have seen Hell, and they have heard the voices of the souls who are currently being tormented there.25

Christians have reported that the people's voices in their visions of Hell sounded like thousands of dogs all growling in unison. They said these voices could only growl out one word. That word was "mercy." Their pain was so intense that it caused them to hurtfully throw themselves against the pit, the side walls of Hell, every fraction of a second, just like the ionic pentameter of a metronome.

Some say Hell contradicts God's mercy, but ah! It verifies God's mercy. He died on the cross, shed His precious blood, was buried, rose from the dead, and ascended into Heaven so that anyone who wanted to escape Hell could by allowing the Triune God's Spirit to enter them, giving them the power to do more than anything God commands.<sup>26</sup> That is what God's mercy is. If we want to, we can escape Hell by becoming born again of the Spirit.27 But if we don't walk according to the New Testament law, which is "the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus," we are walking according to another law, a law which most people choose, a law that is called "the law of sin and death" (Rom. 8:2). God assures us in His Word that if we choose this law. we willingly and knowingly choose with our own will to spend eternity in Hell.<sup>28</sup> Now, God doesn't will it to be that way. Otherwise, He wouldn't have come into this world in a human body and in His mercy showed us the only way to escape Hell and to enter Heaven.<sup>29</sup> He will give us His power to do it if we will only do what He says.<sup>30</sup> If people won't pay attention to His only way of escape from Hell, it doesn't take away from His mercy. It only shows a lack of mercy on the part of the person who refuses God's mercy. They refused the way of truth, and won't allow others to hear it. They are the unmerciful ones, and their fate is an eternity in Hell because of their denial of Christ and their false accusations against God, who is Christ.

We have to want to go to Heaven. We have to want to escape Hell in order to do what God commands us to do. We have to turn in our worthless life to gain the worthwhile life of God.<sup>31</sup> The old life must be buried in Christ's death, "For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection" (Rom. 6:4-5). We can no longer live an independent life, but have to become one with God, a member of Christ's Body.<sup>32</sup> "Ye are all one in Christ Jesus" (Gal. 3:28). Jesus tells His followers, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world... For all that is in the world [is]...lust [and]...is not of the Father, but is of the" devil (I John 2:15-16). We have to begin living a spiritual life, which is totally opposite of the carnal life.<sup>33</sup> "For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting" (Gal. 6:8). The fleshy, carnal, secular authorities will not live a spiritual life. Nor will they tell you these things. Hence, they cannot be the rulers or authorities of God.

My carnal philosophies that there was no Heaven or Hell quickly evaporated when God showed me many visions of Heaven and Hell. There isn't a demonic, impish scallywag on earth that could ever convince me now that there is not a Heaven and Hell or that Heaven and Hell are not forever. There are many others who are living today who have seen similar visions which correspond exactly with the scriptures.

It grieves me to see the unsaved people of the world living lives which will send their souls to Hell. I know they never will believe unless God breaks through their devilish, juvenile egos, just as He did Nebuchadnezzar, Paul, myself, and others.

When God tells us to "honor all men" (I Pet. 2:17), including the unregenerated, secular kings and authorities, He means we are to have pity upon them, pray for them, and witness to them so that they too might become saved, might know God as we know Him, and might forsake their secular, evil, dark employment of wickedness, as Moses, Paul, the prophets, the apostles, myself, and many others have to become ministers of God, God's authorities, God's rulers in this world.<sup>34</sup> Those who sow God's mercy are assured of God's mercy at judgment.<sup>35</sup> By sowing God's mercy to others, we are assured by God's Word that we shall escape an eternity in Hell and attain an eternity of happiness and joy in Heaven.

If we "draw nigh to God," we can be assured that "He will draw nigh to [us]" (Jas. 4:8). But "if [we] forsake Him, [we can be sure that] He will cast [us] off for ever" (I Chron. 28:9). "If we deny Him, He also will deny us" (II Tim. 2:12). He's a Jewish God, and He assures us that's the way He is. God says, "Assure Me that you belong to Me,

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#### Assurance

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and I'll assure you that I am, for the first time in your life, your God." He will be your God, fighting for you and protecting you.<sup>36</sup> He will give you His tremendous power over sin, Satan, lust, temptation, and your self-will.<sup>37</sup> He will give you the power to be "more than conquerors" in all things (Rom. 8:37). He will also give you His power over death, Hell, and the grave, as well as His power to "heal the sick [open blind eyes and heal the lame], cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils" (Matt 10:8).<sup>38</sup>

Everything with God is conditional.<sup>39</sup> God assures us that we must assure Him that we are His before He assures us that He will be ours. Jesus gives us great assurance in these words: "Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke [work] upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke [work] is easy, and My burden is light" (Matt. 11:28-30).

The Word of God is the most valuable commodity in the universe because the Word of God is true and because the Word of God is God.<sup>40</sup> The Word of God is more valid than any commodity in the universe because it is stable. When we respect the validity of God's revelation in His

**36** Deut. 23:14, II Chron. 16:9, 20:12-15, Psa. 17:7, 41:1-3, 46:1, Matt. 10:29-33, II Pet. 2:9, Rev. 3:10 **37** Luke 10:19, John 15:5, 7, Acts 1:8, Phlp. 4:13, I John 4:4, Rev. 2:26, 11:3 **38** Matt. 10:1, 8, Mark 16:15, 17-18, 20, Luke 9:1, 10:19, John 14:12-14, 15:5, 7-8, Acts 5:12, 15-16, 16:16-18, 19:10-12, Rom. 8:37-39, Eph. 3:20, Phlp. 4:13 **39** Deut. 4:29-31, 6:24-25, 7:12-16, 8:19-20, I Chron. 22:13, 28:7-9, II Chron. 7:14, 17-22, Prov. 2:1-5, John 6:51, 7:37-39, 8:31, 51, 10:9, Rom. 6:8, 8:9-17, Col. 1:21-23, Jas. 1:23-27, Rev. 14:9-11, 22:18-19 **40** Psa. 119:50, 105, Isa. 40:8, John 1:1, 14, 17:7, Acts 20:32, I Thes. 2:13, Heb. 4:12, 11:3, I Pet. 1:23, I John 5:7, Rev. 19:13

Our church receives much mail with thousands of requests for Bibles and literature. Much of our literature is printed in Hebrew, Spanish, French, Italian, German, Romanian, Polish, Czech, Russian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Albanian, Serbian, Telugu, Hindi, Marathi, Bengali, Nepali, and Arabic. Pastor Alamo's ninety-one page book, The Messiah, is currently available in English, Hebrew, Spanish, French, Italian, Russian, Chinese, and Telugu. Korean due in December, 2001, and German due in January, 2002. Distributors for Alamo literature are on the increase every day througbout the world. Word, we are assured that we will attain faith from it. "He that believeth [God's Word]...shall be saved" (Mark 16:16). God is assured that people believe His Word when they do what His Word says.<sup>41</sup> The apostle James stated, "I will show thee my faith by my works" (James 2:18). "Without faith [in God's Word] it is impossible to please" God (Heb. 11:6). Also, God wants to be assured of our faith. He wants to be assured that we belong to Him. Another word for faith is assurance. God wants to be assured that we are His. If we do His will, He is assured of it.<sup>42</sup>

If you ask Him to come into your heart, wash away all of your sins, and give you power over your flesh, and over your former self-life, He wants to be assured you will be His, a vessel for Him to live in and work in till the day you die. If you believe His Word to be valuable because it is eternal life, and if you never forget its value, He will be yours. God's valuable Word has already assured you that you are the most valuable thing to Him. You are His pearl of great price.<sup>43</sup> The great price that He paid for you was giving His life on the cross for you.<sup>44</sup> Now He wants you to give your worthless life to Him so that He can make His life in you both worthwhile and meaningful for eternity.45 If you will do this by receiving His power in you every day by reading and praying, He will through His Word and prayer, assure you that He belongs to you, and He will do this right now.46 He will give you something that silver, gold, diamonds, and rubies cannot buy.<sup>47</sup> He will give you His immortal life, and assure you of it by the Holy Spirit in you.<sup>48</sup> This means His presence will be with you and in you for victory over everything.49 Let God receive the assurance that you are His now, and He will assure you that He is yours right now. Do this by saying this prayer:

**41** Neh. 9:8, John 5:24, 8:31, Titus 3:8, Heb. 11:32-34, Jas. 2:14-26, I John 3:18-19 **42** John 10:4-5, 27, 14:15, 21, 15:10, 14, Rev. 14:4 **43** Matt. 13:45-46, Gal. 1:3-4, Eph. 5:25, I Tim. 2:5-6, Titus 2:13-14, Rev. 1:5-6 **44** Matt. 26:31-32, 75, 27:11-44, 50-63, 28:1-8, Luke 23:33-56, 24:1-8, Rom. 3:24-26, 5:5-11, Eph. 2:13-18, Col. 1:20-22, 2:13-15, Rev. 1:5-6 **45** Matt. 10:37-39, 12:30, 13:1-32, 37-50, 22:37-39, Ch. 25, Mark 12:30-31, Rom. 6:1-11, 22-23, 8:1-14, 12:1-2, Eph. 5:1-2, 6:10-18, Col. 2:9-15 **46** Rom. 10:17, Col. 2:6-7, II Tim. 3:14-15, Heb. 10:22-23, Jude 20 **47** Job 28:12-19, 28, Prov. 3:13-18, Roi 10:11, Eccl. 12:13 **48** John 1:4, 9-12, 3:16-17, 4:14, 5:24, 26-27, 14:15-17, 23, 26-27, 15:26, 16:7-13, 17:20-23, 26, I Cor. 2:10-13, Gal. 3:22 **49** John 14:15-17, Acts 1:8, Rom. 8:37-39, Eph. 3:16-21, Phlp. 4:13, I John 2:13-14, 4:4, 5:4, Rev. 12:11

#### Prayer

My Lord and my God, have mercy upon my soul, a sinner.<sup>1</sup> I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God.<sup>2</sup> I believe that He died on the cross and shed His precious blood for the forgiveness of all my sins.<sup>3</sup> I believe that God raised Jesus from the dead by the power of the Holy Spirit<sup>4</sup> and that He sits on the right hand of God at this moment, hearing my confession of sin and this prayer.<sup>5</sup> I open up the door of my heart and I invite You into my heart, Lord Jesus.<sup>6</sup> Wash all of my filthy sins away in the precious blood that You shed in my place on the cross at Calvary.<sup>7</sup> You will not turn me away, Lord Jesus, You will forgive my sins and save my soul. I know because Your Word, the Bible says so.<sup>8</sup> Your Word says that You will turn no one away, and that includes me.<sup>9</sup> Therefore, I know that You have heard me, and I know that You have answered me, and I know that I am saved.<sup>10</sup> And I thank You, Lord Jesus, for saving my soul, and I will show my thankfulness by doing as You command and sin no more.<sup>11</sup>

1. Pas. 51:5, Rom. 3:10-12, 23 2. Matt. 26:63-64, 27:54, Luke 1:30-33, John 9:35-37, Rom. 1:3-4 3. Acts 4:12, 20:28, Rom. 3:25, I John 1:7, Rev. 5:9 4. Pas. 16:9-10, Matt. 28:5-7, Mark 16:9, John 2:19, 21, 10:17-18, 11:25, Acts 2:24, 3:15, Rom. 8:11, I Cor. 15:3-6 5. Luke 22:69, Acts 2:25-36, Heb. 10:12-13 6. Rom. 8:11, I Cor. 3:16, Rev. 3:20 7. Eph. 2:13-22, Heb. 9:22, 13:12, 20-21, I John 1:7, Rev. 1:5, 7:14 8. Matt. 26:28, Acts 2:21, 4:12, Eph. 1:7, Col. 1:14 9. Matt. 21:22, John 6:35, 37, Rom. 10:13 10. Heb. 11:6 11. John 8:11, I Cor. 15:10, Rev. 7:14, 22:14

You've just completed the first step in a series of five steps which are necessary to receive salvation. Your second step is to deny yourself and take up the cross daily for the purpose of mortifying yourself, that is, for putting to death your own will, your soulful self, and the world with all of its lusts. All these must be baptized into the death of Christ.

Step three is your resurrection from the satanic life of Adam unto the sinless life of Christ. Step four is your ascension into a position of authority to reign for God on earth, and the fifth step is to reign for God on earth to the end for the purpose of bringing about the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. You must learn the Word of God, then submit yourself and do what the Word says, so that the Church and the world may see evidence of your submission to God's Word, His order, and His authority in and by you.

Praise the Lord. May God reward you abundantly.

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