

# NO IMITATIONS

by Tony Alamo

“For wisdom is a defence, and money is a defence: but the excellency of knowledge is, that wisdom giveth life to them that have it[!] Consider the work of God: for who can make that straight, which He hath made crooked?” (Eccl. 7:12-13).

“Then said Jesus unto His disciples, If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for My sake shall find it. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of Man shall come in the glory of His Father with His angels; and then He shall reward every man according to his WORKS” (Matt. 16:24-27).

“But be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves” (James 1:22). “What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say

he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him? If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not WORKS, is dead, being alone. Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have WORKS: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my WORKS” (James 2:14-18).

When Jesus says, “Follow Me,” He means, walk in the Holy Spirit that the WORK of God may be accomplished. Jesus said, “The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me” (Luke 4:18). The Spirit of God led Jesus “into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil” (Matt. 4:1). The Lord says we are to be led by the



Sonny Bono, Tony Alamo, and Mary Bono going to lunch in New York City, all wearing Tony Alamo jackets.

SPIRIT OF GOD so that we know that God is doing HIS SPECIAL WORK through us.<sup>1</sup>

Jesus says, “If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your HEAVENLY FATHER GIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT to them that [seek] Him?” (Luke 11:13). You may ask, “Why should I seek the Holy Spirit?” It is because you don’t have GOD’S POWER OR GUIDANCE; you don’t know what work you are to do, or when to do it, without the HOLY SPIRIT guiding you.<sup>2</sup>

I hear pastors teaching that we are to be imitations of Jesus, of THE FATHER, of Paul; but this is not true. Je-

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1 Ezek. 36:27, John 14:15-20, 23, 26, 15:4-5, 16:13-14, 33, Rom. 8:10-11, 1 Cor. 3:9, 15:10, 57-58, 2 Cor. 5:17-21, Gal. 2:20, Eph. 3:16-21, Phlp. 2:12-13, 4:13, Col. 1:10-11, 27-29, 2 Tim. 1:14, Heb. 13:5-6, 20-21, 1 John 4:4 2 Isa. 30:21, John 15:3-7, Acts 1:8, Rom. 8:11, Gal. 5:16, Col. 1:10-11, 29, Heb. 13:20-21, 1 John 2:20, 27

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Jesus wants you to be filled with the real Holy Spirit, not to be anything that is imitation.<sup>3</sup> The false teaching of these people is why there is no great move of God!

There are two real spirits. One is the SPIRIT OF GOD, the other, the spirit of the devil! You have to choose which spirit you will walk in. It will be one or the other. You must choose which one it will be! (Josh. 24:15, Matt. 6:24).

GOD WORKED ALL OF HIS WORKS BY THE HOLY SPIRIT.<sup>4</sup> The SPIRIT OF GOD moved upon the face of the waters (Gen. 1:2). No man can imitate that! Christ also has His work. He, after His death, burial, resurrection, and ascension into Heaven became the HOLY SPIRIT, the COMFORTER. Jesus told His disciples, “And I will pray the Father, and He

shall give you another COMFORTER, that He may abide [live] with you forever; Even the SPIRIT OF TRUTH; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him [Jesus]: but ye know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you” (John 14:16-17). Jesus then tells them it is Him by saying, “I will not leave you COMFORTLESS: I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth Me no more; but ye see Me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know that I am in My Father, and ye in Me, and I in you. He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me: and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him. Judas saith unto Him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that Thou wilt manifest Thyself unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love Me, he will keep My Words: and My Father will love him, and We will come unto him, and make Our abode [home] with him” (John 14:18-23).

People try to imitate what Jesus did in His ministry. This is not possible. When Jesus with our Father lives in us, He will do a work of His choice in us. Before David, King of Israel, sinned, he was the apple of God’s eye.<sup>5</sup> David had many wives;<sup>6</sup> Jesus didn’t have any. David slew Goliath.<sup>7</sup> Jesus didn’t; He slew the devil.<sup>8</sup> Abraham had several wives;<sup>9</sup> again, Jesus didn’t. Moses, Gideon, and many others had many wives as well.<sup>10</sup> Samson killed a thousand Philistines.<sup>11</sup> Jesus didn’t; Jesus destroyed Satan. Jesus rose from the dead; He destroyed death, Hell, and the grave, and gave us salvation.<sup>12</sup> No one else ever could have done this, but Jesus!

## WALK IN THE SPIRIT

We have our testimony; Jesus has His. “The testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of prophecy” (Rev. 19:10). We have the testimony of Jesus because He tells us what to do, and we do it. The prophets prophesied by the Spirit; the Apostles also, after Pentecost, did as well.<sup>13</sup>

Don’t imitate but, “Let him hear  
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**3** Ezek. 36:27, John 14:15-20, 23, 26, 15:3-7, 17:21-23, 26, Rom. 8:10-11, 1 Cor. 3:9, 16-17, 2 Cor. 6:16-18, Gal. 2:20, Eph. 3:16-21, Phlp. 2:13, Col. 1:27-29, 2 Tim. 1:14, 1 John 3:24, 4:4, Rev. 3:19-21 **4** Judg. 3:10, 6:11-16, 33-34, Ch. 7, 11:29, 32, 13:24-25, 14:5-6, 19, 15:14-15, Job 26:13, 33:4, Psa. 104:30, Isa. 59:19, Zech. 4:6 **5** Psa. 17:8 **6** 1 Sam. 25:42-44, 2 Sam. 3:2-5, 14-15, 5:13-16, 12:7-8, 24, 1 Kings 1:1-3, 1 Chron. 3:1-9 **7** 1 Sam. Ch. 17 **8** Matt. 8:16, 28-32, Luke 4:41, Col. 2:13-15, Heb. 2:14, Jude 6, Rev. 1:17-18, 20:1-3 **9** Gen. 16:3, 25:1-6 **10** Gen. 29:15-30, 30:3-4, 9-10, Ex. 2:21-22, Num. 12:1, Judg. 1:16, 4:11, 8:30, 10:3-4, 12:8-9, 13-14, 2 Sam. 12:7-8, 1 Chron. 2:42-49, 3:9, 7:4, 2 Chron. 11:18-21, Heb. 11:8-10, 21, 23-29, 32-34, 36-40, James 2:23 **11** Judg. Ch. 15 **12** Luke Ch. 24, John 8:36, Acts 26:17-18, Rom. 3:23-26, 5:6-21, 6:3-11, 7:24-25, Heb. 1:1-3, Rev. 1:17-18 **13** 2 Sam. 23:1-2, Neh. 9:30, Isa. 61:1-3, Ezek. 2:1-3, Ch. 3, 11:5, Joel 2:27-29, Mic. 3:8, Zech. 7:12, Acts 2:1-4, 17-18, 2 Pet. 1:20-21

## Oklahoma

Dear Pastor Tony Alamo,

My aunt came across some of your gospel literature (she doesn’t exactly remember where), but last night I got to reading and studying with them and found them very informative and truthful and interesting, and so does my aunt. (I feel Jesus has put them in our life).

I have picked up pamphlets before but found them with so much of the pastor’s own thoughts and not true to the King James Version, that I just quit reading them when I would find them somewhere.

It says in the Bible, to test what you read and hear with the Bible (we only study the KJV); so that’s what I have been doing with your pamphlets and have found them right with the Bible. So I’m writing this to say thank you for putting the truth out there and to request some more literature and the book *The Messiah* and any others you may have.

We know and believe that He came to earth and died for us so that we could be saved and be with

Him in His kingdom and here on earth.

Thank you for your time and your literature.

Your Sisters and Brother in Christ Jesus,  
Aheila, Ellen, and Ray Crumpler  
Broken Bow, OK



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# Letters to Pastor Alamo

## India

Dear beloved brother in Christ,

Loving and wonderful greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. How are you and your family doing? How is your ministry? I hope our Almighty Father is blessing your family and ministry a billion fold.

The happiness of me and my family members has no limits after receiving your wonderful and devotional literature. I would like to give you my heartfelt thanks for your literature and *Messiah* books. God has blessed us in many ways to do His service. I appreciate your spiritual knowledge, and when I am reading the literature, I feel so surprised that God has blessed you with this much spiritual knowledge! I am feeling so happy that your literature is winning so many souls in this world. I appreciate your wonderful “Dry Bones” message also. By it, I and my family members got so much comfort. Also, some Hindu peoples’ lives have been saved from their sins.

Brother, we are busy distributing and explaining your literature among Hindus and illiterates near bus stations and train stations. In Luke 19:10 Jesus said, “For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.” I am doing evangelism among unbelievers of Christ, and I would like some *Messiah* books to distribute to them, also your “Dry Bones” literature; our spirits are becoming more and more strengthened.

Our family members are appreciating you, and are also conveying regards to you and your family.

Your beloved brother,  
Kommara Bhushanam



Rev. Dr. Rajesh Babu and a Christian brother distributing Pastor Alamo's Gospel literature in the villages of Andhra Pradesh, India.

Devarapalli Mandal, Andhra Pradesh, India

## Missouri

Dear Tony,

Wow Tony! I just can't get over this—after all the time I spent with you in Texarkana FCI. I remember all the stories you told me then about your first case and I guess at first I thought, “Well, anything could be possible after all I had heard about the Catholic priests.” But, the more and more I was around you and studied with you, and prayed with you, and saw your devotion to your work in the name of God and Jesus Christ, well... it was kind of like what you said in one of your newsletters about how hard it would have been for Jim Jones to talk his whole congregation into committing suicide. Are you serious?

It is kind of ridiculous, as though only the third party, the ones with the

ax to grind, had the ear of the court. Was there anybody in the courtroom who was an honest-to-God witness of how you spend your life? It sounds like the character witnesses and physical or otherwise must have been well educated. I'm sorry Tony. Don't be mad at me if I sound a little harsh or bitter. I've had a bad year myself. I've also seen you work all day and half the night on literature or newsletters and then wake up at 3 o'clock in the morning and start at it again.

I remember your leadership, fatherly advice, and sometimes even a light scolding for myself and a few other lost souls trying and hoping to find our way back into our Lord's good graces. Boy, did we need the

help. And you gave it freely to us because we asked, and everyone else because they were close enough to hear you. They must have really twisted the laws and the stories to make this all work. It almost sounds like it was all prosecution and no defense was allowed.

Well, I should stop or I'll run on all day. I really hope you're doing alright. I know we can't write directly. You are always in my prayers and I thank you for all you did for me.

I will always be faithful and devoted.

Your Friend,  
Arthur Weil  
Jefferson City Correctional Center  
Jefferson City, MO

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what the Spirit saith” (Rev. 2:7, 11, 17, 29, 3:6, 13, 22). He that has a spiritual ear, let him hear what the Spirit SAITH!

“This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh” (Gal. 5:16). Give your heart to Christ the COMFORTER now, that He and THE FATHER by the Spirit MAY ABIDE IN YOU. To be saved, say this prayer to God:

My Lord and my God, have mercy upon my soul, a sinner.<sup>14</sup> I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God.<sup>15</sup> I believe that He died on the cross and shed His precious blood for the forgiveness of all my former sins.<sup>16</sup> I believe that God raised Jesus from the dead by the

power of the Holy Spirit,<sup>17</sup> and that He sits on the right hand of God at this moment, hearing my confession of sin and this prayer.<sup>18</sup> I open up the door of my heart, and I invite You into my heart, Lord Jesus.<sup>19</sup> Wash all of my filthy sins away in the precious blood that You shed in my place on the cross at Calvary.<sup>20</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>21</sup> Your Word says that You will turn no one away, and that includes me.<sup>22</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>23</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>24</sup>

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

your cross daily and follow Jesus for the purpose of mortifying your flesh, 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 watery 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 with Christ on earth, and the fifth step is to reign for God in Christ on earth to the end for the purpose of bringing about the kingdom of Heaven on earth. You must learn the Word of God, submit yourselves one to another, 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 bless and reward you abundantly.

Yours in the wonderful name of Jesus,  
Pastor Tony Alamo

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**14** Psa. 51:5, Rom. 3:10-12, 23 **15** Matt. 26:63-64, 27:54, Luke 1:30-33, John 9:35-37, Rom. 1:3-4 **16** Acts 4:12, 20:28, Rom. 3:25, 1 John 1:7, Rev. 5:9 **17** Psa. 16:9-10, Matt. 28:5-7, Mark 16:9, 12, 14, John 2:19, 21, 10:17-18, 11:25, Acts 2:24, 3:15, Rom. 8:11, 1 Cor. 15:3-7 **18** Luke 22:69, Acts 2:25-36, Heb. 10:12-13 **19** 1 Cor. 3:16, Rev. 3:20 **20** Eph. 2:13-22, Heb. 9:22, 13:12, 20-21, 1 John 1:7, Rev. 1:5, 7:14 **21** Matt. 26:28, Acts 2:21, 4:12, Eph. 1:7, Col. 1:14 **22** Matt. 21:22, John 6:35, 37-40, Rom. 10:13 **23** Heb. 11:6 **24** John 5:14, 8:11, Rom. 6:4, 1 Cor. 15:10, Rev. 7:14, 22:14

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