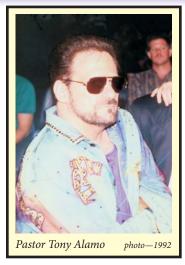


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RESTING IN THE TIME OF TROUBLE

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"And to you who are troubled rest with us" (2 Thessalonians 1:7). When we are troubled, the Lord commands us to rest in Him. Yes! We are to rest or Sabbath in Him. Rest in the Word (John 1:14).

Jesus said, "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 [Sabbath] unto your souls. For My yoke [work] is easy, and My burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-30). Jesus wants us to study His Word, which is Him, and do what He says, for if we do what it says, we will find that His Words and guidance are true to our souls. In this way, our faith will grow (Romans 10:17).

Jesus who became a man was meek before God the Father; He did and does everything the Father asks of Him, which is the meaning of meekness.² He rested in the Father and was lowly in heart: He never became proud against the Father. Jesus is the exact opposite of Satan, who is full of pride, and exalts himself above God.³ How utterly wicked he is!

In 2 Thessalonians 1:7-12, Paul states we may rest with God's people in this hour of today's trouble on earth while the devil destroys the nation's cities and makes the world a wilderness.4 He says, "When the Lord Iesus shall be revealed from Heaven with His mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power; When He shall come to be glorified in His saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day. Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of His goodness, and the work of faith with power: That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in Him, according to the power of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ."

We are now living in the time that was prophesied in Daniel 12:1: "And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered [God shall deliver those of us who have the faith to rest in Him], every one that shall be found written in the book [the Book of Life]. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as

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the stars for ever and ever. But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased. [These things help to show that we are in the last days, the end of time].

"Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river. And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders? And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto Heaven, and sware by Him that liveth

for ever that it shall be for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished" (Daniel 12:1-7). The holy people are being scattered now.

"Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried [Don't faint; rest in the Lord!]; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand" (Daniel 12:10).

"In whom the god of this world [the god of this world is the devil] hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the [express] image of God, should shine unto them. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory

of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

"We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body. For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

"So then death worketh in us, but life in you. We having the same Spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak; Knowing that He which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you. For (Continued on page 4)

India

Dear Beloved Brother,

Holy greetings to you, my loving Pastor Tony Alamo, your friends, your well wishers, your Alamo ministry associates, your Church and all in the most precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Brother, I have received your wonderful literatures and Bibles. Thank you so much for your literature and Bibles to my gospel work. Our Lord has united us to spread the word of truth to many distant places. Due to the fact, we can be happy. Please convey our best wishes to you, your blessed Tony Alamo ministry and especially Pastor Tony Alamo.

Brother, I am extremely happy to inform you that after we received your wonderful literatures we organized outreach Gospel campaign in agency area called Rampachodavaram. Our gospel team and I graciously visited every door step and covered the area and distributed gospel literature to

know God's plan of salvation. During nights we conducted gospel meetings and explained the power of God and His majesty. Many have accepted Christ as their personal Saviour and heard of the gospel of Christ with rapt attention. The camp meeting was held for the glory of our Lord. Sending gospel camp and orphans'

photos for your kind viewing.

Brother, please send my congregations Telugu language holy Bibles. Please send my coworkers and orphans used clothes.

Please do pray for me, my family, coworkers, orphans, widows, congregations and our gospel work. Here we are all praying for you, loving Pastor Tony's health and your ministry of Tony Alamo.

We wait for your kind reply. May God bless you and all. Your Brother in Christ, Pastor A. David West Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh, South India



Brother Rajaji Sadhanala and other congregation members distributing Pastor Alamo's newsletters in the villages of Andhra Pradesh, India

Letters to Pastor Alamo



Pastor Jonathan Brooks and Brother Richard distributing Pastor Alamo's Gospel literature in a marketplace of Monrovia, Liberia

Liberia

Hello Pastor Tony,

I will be very happy about the literatures and T-shirts. We will always be in prayer with you.

What we want is that for this Ministry (Tony Alamo Christian Ministries) to have a branch here in Africa, Liberia. We know and believe that it shall come to pass, because your ministry is changing people's lives. We are doing our best meeting together for worship service.

So many people are happy reading your literature, let us work together for the Lord to win more souls over.

Our prayer is to be distributing your literatures all over here in Liberia. It's good to teach someone the truth. Your gospel literature is helping people all over the world to know the truth.

People of Liberia and near countries are willing to read your gospel materials. We pray and wait for the materials to arrive by God's power.

Ionathan Brooks

Monrovia, Liberia, Africa

Italy

Dear Pastor Tony Alamo,

I thank God for your life and ministry. It is my pleasure to greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and your family, and your entire congregation in the Lord. Pastor Tony, I have not a lot to say, only thank you for your precious gifts—the literature and the Bible. I enjoy reading them, as they give life.

My main purpose for writing is to express my appreciation to you for the wonderful parcel you sent to me. It is such a precious gift to receive in a time of distress. Pastor, do you know what? I received the parcel in the afternoon, while I was in the fifth day of fasting and prayer. Just think of that—it threw a marvelous light into my spirit, and lifted my faith, and I know that with God all things are possible. I believe before I finish reading all the literature you included, my life will never be the same.

I also want to announce to you that I am a part of your wonderful ministry. Please add me to your congregation. I request for your prayer and every necessary support that will help me become a man of God, who is Spirit-filled, to preach the truth of the gospel, because it is only the truth that sets man free (John 8:32).

I remain yours faithfully, Bismarck K. Sakyi Ghedi, Italy

Thailand

Dear Pastor,

Sanctified greetings to you, the blessed, and may you continue to win more souls for the work of the Almighty Lord.

Thanks a lot for replying to our last letter. We received the parcel which contained literature and the *Messiah* book and newsletters. We have read all the newsletters, and many people are giving testimonies about your literature. In your letter to us, you told us

to request more literature, if we want it, so please try as much as possible to help us to receive some more, because things like this help us.

We are fasting and praying, and some of us have received the power of healing to cure sickness for people over here. Even me, I am feeling very good now, and I am healed. Many other good things are happening, people are having visions and dreams.

We need your full support in prayer.

Faith moves the mountain. Thank you, with all our best.

Your brother in Christ, Djiande Alexander Chatujack, Bangkok, Thailand



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all things are for your sakes, that the abundant power might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God. For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal" (2 Corinthians 4:4-18).

If we love God and life, we rest. "And to you who are troubled rest [in Jesus] with us" (2 Thessalonians 1:7). Come to the Lord now and be saved and rest by saying this prayer:

My Lord and my God, have mercy upon my soul, a sinner.⁵ I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living

God.⁶ I believe that He died on the cross and shed His precious blood for the forgiveness of all my former sins.⁷ I believe that God raised Jesus from the dead by the power of the Holy Spirit,8 and that He sits on the right hand of God at this moment, hearing my confession of sin and this prayer.9 I open up the door of my heart, and I invite You into my heart, Lord Jesus. 10 Wash all of my filthy sins away in the precious blood that You shed in my place on the cross at Calvary.11 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. 12 Your Word says that You will turn no one away, and that includes me.13 Therefore, I know that You have heard me, and I know that You have answered me, and I know that I am saved.14 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.15

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

Tony Alamo is probably the greatest patriot this country has ever known.

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

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