

The Vine and the Fig Tree

by Tony Alamo

“In that day, saith the LORD of HOSTS, shall you call every man his neighbour under the vine and under the fig tree” (Zechariah 3:10). Before we are able to teach or preach the Gospel, the WORDS of LIFE, we must know the Bible. This is why GOD’S WORD warns novices, young Christians, NOT to teach. “(For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care

of the church of GOD?) Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil” (1 Timothy 3:5-6). I’m not a novice, so I teach.

When Zechariah by the SPIRIT of GOD says, “In that day,” he means the last days; those days are today! When he says, “you call every man his neighbour under the vine and under the fig tree,” the



Tony and Susan Alamo at the Los Angeles Press Club with the singer Rouvaun and his wife Pat in 1967. Rouvaun was a worker in a lumber yard. Tony promoted him, and in 90 days he became the star of the Dunes Hotel in Las Vegas. Then he starred in the Coconut Grove at the Ambassador Hotel, the London Palladium, and was a guest star on five Jack Benny Birthday Party television specials, and on The Ed Sullivan Show. Tony did this promo to prove to the people in Hollywood that he was still very sane since he had become a Christian. Tony tried to talk Rouvaun into singing Gospel because it was his opinion that Rouvaun was the world’s greatest singer.

VINE he is referring to is JESUS! JESUS says, “I AM THE TRUE VINE” (John 15:1), so when we are calling everyone, including our neighbors, in these last days to be under the authority of the VINE, we are calling them to be under the authority of the TRUE VINE, JESUS, who also is GOD in the flesh (John 1:14).¹ “Every branch in ME that beareth not fruit [that

doesn’t lead souls to JESUS, the true VINE] HE [the FATHER, the SPIRIT] taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, HE [the FATHER] purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit [more souls unto ME]” (John 15:2). If you live in GOD, the WORD which is SPIRIT and ETERNAL LIFE, and JESUS, then the VINE, the SPIRIT, GOD’S WORD will abide in you. Why? Because you and I cannot bear fruit by ourselves. The branches (the Christians) cannot bear fruit, win souls to GOD, unless we live in the SPIRIT, in CHRIST, the WORD, the TRUE VINE (John 15:4).

“I am the VINE, ye are the branches: He that abideth in ME, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without ME

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ye can do NOTHING. If a man abide not in ME [continues not in ME], he is cast forth as a branch [taken out of ME], and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If you abide in ME [if you do what I do by MY SPIRIT], and MY WORDS abide in you, you shall ask what you will, and [then] it shall be done unto you. Herein is MY FATHER glorified, that you bear much fruit; so shall you be MY disciples” (John 15:5-8).

Throughout the Bible, we see that the whole purpose of CHRIST dying on the cross is because HE (GOD) loved us so much that HE didn't want to ever see any of us burning eternally in the Lake of Fire.² This is HIS purpose—that after HIS death, resurrection, and ascension into Heaven, souls are saved (Luke 24:46-48).³ We are to love as GOD loved so we don't ever see anyone burn eternally for rejecting GOD and HIS SON, CHRIST JESUS!⁴

“This is MY commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you” (John 15:12). What is love? Love is not sex! Love is the

keeping of GOD'S commandments.⁵ “For this is the love of GOD, that we keep HIS commandments: and HIS commandments are not grievous” (1 John 5:3).

I have, in a small way, covered calling your neighbor under the “VINE,” the leadership of JESUS, the VINE. Now we shall discuss what it means to be called in these last days “under the fig tree.”

“WATCH” is HIS command to us (Mark 13:33-37, 1 Peter 4:7).⁶ JESUS taught that one of the commandments regarding the end of time was to “watch,” because if we know the signs of the times we can tell when the approximate time of the end will be.⁷ This is certainly not the time to follow the example of the empty, vain people who want to hide in all manner of sin. Why? Because the day of reckoning is at hand, and the WORD of GOD is not far away, but is near.⁸ It is as available for you to see as it is for me, so you have no excuse. Also, the SPIRIT of GOD in CHRIST, is CHRIST. HE will live in you if you ask HIM to, just as HE lives in me.⁹ This will give you the power to stand and win souls for HIM, the same gift HE gives me and has given so many others.¹⁰

“And then shall appear the sign of the SON of MAN in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the

earth mourn [‘O my GOD, NO! It is true, it's the end, and I'm forever lost! O my GOD!’ But it will be too late!], and they shall see the SON of MAN coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And HE shall send HIS angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together HIS elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other” (Matthew 24:30-31).

Now disciples are called under the fig tree. “Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is still tender, and putteth forth leaves, you know that summer is near: So likewise you, when you shall see all these things [mentioned in Matthew 24], know that it is near, even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass [the generation which sees these signs, which is the generation we are living in], till all these things be fulfilled. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but MY WORDS shall not pass away” (Matthew 24:32-35).

So call I you under the power of the VINE to win souls to glorify the FATHER, and under the fig tree to observe all the end time signs, that you may remain in HIM and not fall away into per-

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² Isa. 53:3-12, Ezek. 18:23, 30-32, 33:11, Matt. 20:28, 26:26-28, John 1:29, 3:13-17, 6:47-51, 10:7-18, 11:49-52, 14:19-21, 17:11, 14-21, Acts 5:30-31, 20:28, Rom. 3:21-26, 4:24-25, 5:6-11, 1 Cor. 15:3-4, Gal. 1:3-4, 2:20-21, 3:13-14, 22, 4:3-7, Eph. 1:3-14, 2:4-10, 5:2, Col. 1:12-23, 1 Thes. 1:10, 5:9-10, 1 Tim. 2:3-6, Titus 2:13-14, Heb. 2:9-10, 7:17-28, 9:11-15, 24-28, 10:1-22, 13:11-13, 1 Pet. 1:18-21, 2:24, 2 Pet. 3:9, 1 John 1:7, 2:2, 3:16, 4:9-11, Rev. 1:5-6, 3:19, 5:9-10 ³ Isa. 53:10-11, John 15:8, 16:7-8, 2 Cor. 5:17-21 ⁴ Ezek. 33:1-16, Dan. 12:3, Matt. 10:7-8, 28:18-20, Luke 24:46-48, John 12:23-26, Acts 1:8, Rom. 10:13-15, 1 Cor. 3:9, Col. 1:25-29, James 5:19-20, 1 John 3:14-16, 5:2-3 ⁵ Deut. 7:9, John 14:15, 21, 15:10, 1 John 2:3-6, 5:2-3, 2 John 6 ⁶ Matt. 24:42-51, 25:13, 26:41, Luke 12:37-40, 21:34-36, 1 Cor. 16:13, Col. 4:2, 1 Thes. 5:6, 2 Tim. 4:5, Rev. 3:2-3 ⁷ Isa. 24:19-20, 51:6, Dan. 2:40-43, 7:7-8, 16-25, 8:1-25, 12:8-12, Joel 2:1-11, 28-31, Matt. 16:1-3, 24:3-44, Luke 21:7-36, Acts 2:16-21, 1 Thes. 5:1-8, 2 Thes. 2:3-12, 2 Pet. 3:10-13, Rev. 8:7-12, 9:1-11, 15-19, 11:19, 13:11-18, 16:2-14, 17-21 ⁸ Deut. 30:11-14, Psa. 34:18, 145:18, Prov. 6:22-23, Jer. 23:23-24, Rom. 10:8-9, James 4:8, 2 Pet. 3:1-14 ⁹ Ezek. 36:25-27, John 14:15-21, 23, 26, 15:3-11, 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 ¹⁰ Joel 2:28-29, Matt. 9:8, 10:1, 28:18-20, Mark 6:7, 16:15-20, Luke 10:17-20, 24:49, John 14:12-14, Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38-39, 2 Cor. 13:4, Eph. 1:18-23, chap. 2, 3:20-21, 1 John 4:4, Rev. 2:25-27



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Dear beloved Pastor Tony Alamo,

I am so much delighted to have communication with you. You are very important to us here in Soroti, Uganda. We are extending the ministry to southern Sudan. Keep praying for us. Other members have liked the literature so much. Many young men have accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, and they are doing with me the same ministry, some in Mbale, Kumi, Katakwi, Amuria, Kaberemaido. These are big cities in eastern Uganda. I request more magazines and T-shirts for the ministry.

Thank you so much.

Brian Jesse Alameth

Director, Hands of Good Samaritan
Soroti, Uganda

Kenya

Dear Pastor Alamo Ministries,

Peace be to you from our Lord Jesus Christ and God the Father. Thank you for the world newsletters, two Bibles, CDs and cassettes, which we received in the month of May 2012. We gave them out, and we have five Catholics who received salvation and have joined us. Our three broth-

ers got the infilling of the Spirit with the newsletters. Another was backslidden, but when she read the world newsletters, she came back to the Lord.

I want to request you to send me more world newsletters and Bibles since we have seventeen brothers who came from Catholicism. They're in need of the Bibles,

The Messiah books, and other materials, and my team distributors also are requesting for the T-shirts. We are praying for Pastor Tony Alamo, that God will help him to be released and continue with God's works.

Yours in service of the Lord,
Pastor Jeremia Chindia
Kakamega, Kenya

Chile

(Translated from Spanish)

Along with greeting you, I wish every one of you as a church and ministry, especially to our dear Pastor Tony, the most richest blessings.

I am writing to confirm that the box with literature and Bibles arrived. Our gratitude to you is immense. You don't have any idea

how helpful all the material is that you send us here in Chile, in the city of Puerto Montt. We are working fervently in the work of our Almighty GOD and winning souls for our LORD JESUS CHRIST through the powerful WORD of GOD. With the material that you send us, we are able to make the Gospel of

Christ to be presented in a more channeled manner and easy to understand.

Till next time, we are hoping our letter is well received.

Your Brother,
Elias Mansilla Sanchez
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dition as an antichrist. The entire WORD of GOD is about winning souls so that the FATHER might be glorified (John 15:8). The last WORDS of JESUS were to guide us to this end (Mark 16:15-18)!

JESUS said, "All power is given unto ME in Heaven and in earth. Go you therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY SPIRIT: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, [only then] lo, I AM with

you always [if you do these things], even unto the end of the world. Amen" (Matthew 28:18-20). Get under the VINE NOW, and under the fig tree NOW! Start by saying this prayer:

My LORD and my GOD, have mercy upon my soul, a sinner.¹¹ I believe that JESUS CHRIST is the SON of the living GOD.¹² I believe that HE died on the cross and shed HIS precious blood for the forgiveness of all my former sins.¹³ I believe that GOD raised JESUS from the dead by the power of the HOLY SPIRIT,¹⁴ and that HE sits on the right hand of GOD at this moment hearing my confession of sin and this prayer.¹⁵ I open up the door of

my heart, and I invite YOU into my heart, LORD JESUS.¹⁶ Wash all of my filthy sins away in the precious blood that YOU shed in my place on the cross at Calvary.¹⁷ 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.¹⁸ YOUR WORD says that YOU will turn no one away, and that includes me.¹⁹ Therefore, I know that YOU have heard me, and I know that YOU have answered me, and I know that I am saved.²⁰ 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.²¹

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

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