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ABIDING IN HEAVEN AND ABIDING IN CHRIST ON EARTH

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While CHRIST was physically here on earth, CHRIST'S mind was always on the FATHER in Heaven.¹ HE could never inwardly be tempted. Outwardly, the devil could tell HIM to sin, but inwardly or outwardly, HE never would or could because HE, by the SPIRIT, was always abiding (living) in the HOLY SPIRIT.² This is our example to always be sitting with CHRIST in Heavenly places (Ephesians 2:6). It is not unusual to be tempted outwardly by the devil, but when we are sitting with JESUS in Heavenly places, we cannot be inwardly tempted. Outwardly, yes, but in CHRIST we are more than conquerors (Romans 8:37). It is of no effect.

First Peter 4:12-14 says, "Beloved, think it not strange [unusual] concerning the fiery trial which is to try

you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of CHRIST'S sufferings; that, when HIS glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. If ye be reproached for the name of CHRIST, happy are ye; for the SPIRIT of glory and of GOD resteth upon you: on their part HE is evil spoken of, but on your part HE is glorified."

James 1:2-3 states, "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience." It's joy because temptation has no effect on you when you are close to JESUS, sitting with HIM by the SPIRIT in Heavenly places. When you are sitting with JESUS in Heavenly places, it is very easy to pray (talk) to HIM and to get your answers by

meditation. That is because you are sitting right there with HIM.³

James 1:7-8 says, "For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the LORD. [If he is double-minded, sometimes he believes and sometimes he doesn't believe.] A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways."

"Blessed is the man that endureth temptation [we cannot be tempted inwardly or outwardly successfully when we are in CHRIST, sitting with HIM in Heavenly places]: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the LORD hath promised to them that love HIM. Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of GOD: for GOD cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth HE any man" (James 1:12-13).

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1 Deut. 18:18, Psa. 40:8, Isa. 50:4-9, 53:9-12, Matt. 3:13-17, 26:36-44, Mark 1:35, Luke 2:49, 5:16, 6:12, 23:34, 46, John 4:34, 5:19-23, 30, 6:38-40, 8:28-29, 55, 9:4-5, 12:27-28, 49-50, 14:31, 15:10, ch.17, Phlp. 2:5-11 2 Isa. 7:14-15, Luke 4:1-14, John 3:34, 5:19, 26, 30, 8:16, 10:30, 37-38, 11:41-44, 14:10-20, 17:21-23, Acts 10:38, Rom. 8:3-4, Gal. 4:4-6, Heb. 4:14-15, 5:8-9, 7:14-17, 21-28, James 1:13-14, 1 Pet. 1:18-19 3 Psa. 1:1-3, 27:4-5, 61:2-4, Isa. 26:3-4, John 15:5-10, Rom. 6:3-6, 11, 8:1-2, 14-17, 1 Cor. 6:17, 19-20, Eph. 1:3-12, 17-23, Phlp. 3:8-11, Col. 3:3, 1 Thes. 5:9-10, 2 Pet. 1:3-4, 1 John 2:6, 3:6, 24, 4:13

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You may say, "JESUS is GOD," and truly HE is, but still the WORD says HE was tempted in every way as we are (Hebrews 4:14-15).⁴ JESUS never was inwardly tempted. The devil told HIM to make stones bread, to jump from the pinnacle, and to worship him (the devil) (Matthew 4:3-11). All this was outward, but JESUS was always at the throne, praying always, never tempted inwardly.⁵ This is why we are to sit with HIM in Heavenly places. We are immune to temptation with JESUS.

James notes, "But every man [not sitting with JESUS] is tempted, when he is drawn away [inwardly] of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death. Do not err, my beloved brethren" (James 1:14-16).

GOD gave us salvation and a secure place of power to stay safe during this or any hour of temptation. Flee from the very appearance of evil! (1 Thessalonians 5:22). But where should we flee? We flee to

sit with JESUS in Heavenly places! (Ephesians 2:4-7).⁶

Jeremiah 17:9-10 says, "The heart [of man] is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings." Because the heart is so wicked, we need to always be in CHRIST. There, our heart has no influence over us, and the devil has no influence. When we are sitting in CHRIST in Heavenly places, we are free!

The devil is no longer allowed in Heaven. "And his tail drew the third part of the stars of Heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born... And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him" (Revelation 12:4, 9).⁷ He has been thrown out, and the evil one cannot touch us there!⁸ We are in CHRIST, and CHRIST has defeated

the devil and his evil.⁹ The only safe place in the universe is in JESUS.

On earth, our bodies are GOD'S temple.¹⁰ "Know ye not that ye are the temple of GOD, and that the SPIRIT of GOD dwelleth in you?" (1 Corinthians 3:16). HE lives in our bodies. We live in HIM and with HIM.¹¹ Paul said, "I labored more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace [the power] of GOD which was with me" (1 Corinthians 15:10). We work, but it is CHRIST in us that does the work. JESUS said, "MY FATHER worketh hitherto, and I work" (John 5:17).

We shall be judged by the works we do when we are yoked with JESUS.¹² "And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and Hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works" (Revelation 20:13). We are only able to work the works of GOD by CHRIST by the SPIRIT in Heavenly places.

If CHRIST needed to be in Heavenly places with the SPIRIT while here on earth, then how much more do we need to be seated with HIM in Heavenly places? Begin by praying

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4 Isa. 7:14-15, 50:4-9, Matt. 4:1-11, 8:17, Luke 22:28, 40-46, Rom. 8:3, Gal. 4:4-5, Phlp. 2:5-8, Heb. 2:9-10, 14-18, 5:8-9, 12:2-3, 1 Pet. 2:21-24 5 Mark 1:35, Luke 5:16, 6:12, 2 Cor. 5:21, Heb. 7:26, 1 John 3:5 6 Deut. 33:26-27, 2 Sam. 22:2-20, Psa. 9:9-10, 18:2, 27:2-6, 31:19-20, 32:6-7, 62:8, 91:1-9, Rom. 8:14-16, 37-39, Eph. 3:8-12, Col. 3:3, 1 John 5:4-5 7 Isa. 14:9-17, Ezek. 28:13-19, Jude 6, Rev. 12:3-4, 9-10, 12 8 Luke 10:18-20 9 John 16:33, Acts 2:22-27, 31-36, 3:13-26, 4:10-12, 5:30-31, Rom. 6:9-10, 8:34, 37, 1 Cor. 15:57, 2 Cor. 2:14, Eph. 1:18-23, Phlp. 2:8-11, Heb. 1:1-3, 2:9, 10:4-14, 12:1-2, 1 Pet. 3:21-22, 1 John 4:4, 5:4-5, Rev. 1:18, 2:26-27 10 1 Cor. 3:9, 16-17, 6:19-20, 2 Cor. 6:16, Eph. 2:13-22, Heb. 3:6 11 John 10:27-30, 14:15-21, 26, 16:7-14, 17:21-23, 26, Acts 17:28, Rom. 8:10-11, Gal. 2:20, Eph. 3:16-21, Phlp. 2:12-13, Col. 1:27-29, 2:9-10, 2 Tim. 1:14, 1 John 1:1-3, 3:6, 24, 4:4 12 Jer. 17:5-10, Dan. 12:1-3, Matt. 3:10, 12, 5:13-16, 7:15-27, 25:31-46, Luke 19:12-27, John 15:1-8, 16, Rom. 8:4-14, 1 Cor. 3:8, 13-15, Gal. 6:7-9, Eph. 6:8, 2 Tim. 4:5-8, Titus 2:11-15, James 2:17-26, 1 Pet. 1:13-17, Rev. 20:11-15

Oklahoma

On Saturday a man was brought to one of the brothers. He was drunk and was crying because he was sick of his sins, but he could not stop sinning. He had been in the Marines and the weight of his past days of killing men, women, and children who were coming at him with loaded weapons was depressing him beyond what he could bear.

The brother witnessed to him, and the man came under Holy Spirit conviction, crying out for help. He said the sinner's prayer of repentance, and he was saved right there with crowds of people walking by. He was so thankful to lay his burden of sin down at the cross, and he has been reading Bible with the brother who witnessed to him. Our pastor has given us excellent instruction on how to help new Christians, and this is being passed on to him so he can grow in the Lord and know how to fight against the devil when he comes to him with temptation. Praise the Lord!

Colombia

(Translated from Spanish)

Many blessings, Brothers of Tony Alamo Ministry,

Thank you for your shipment. We received your box of materials. At present we are initiating a week of evangelism door to door, distributing your literature. We are going to need several Bibles for people who will receive Christ and cannot buy a Bible. We thank you that you continue to help us. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Evangelist Torres
Medellin, Colombia



Chile

(Translated from Spanish)

May God be with every one of you. I am always very grateful for your support with the material that you send me. If it is possible, send me more, my brethren. Here, I send you some pictures of where I distribute the newsletters. I look forward to your continued assistance in the ministry.

Thank you,
V.R. Santos
Santiago, Chile

Missouri

Dear Tony Alamo Christian Ministries,

I want to thank you for the past years of sending me your volumes of teachings from the King James Version of the Bible. They have been passed on to many throughout the past years here in the Missouri prisons. I pray they have done for others the good they have done for me.

It has come time for me to be released from prison. Unfortunately, at present I do not have a forwarding address. When I settle into a residence, I will forward to you my address for me to pick back up your teachings again. Until then, thank you for all you have blessed me with. God bless all within your ministries serving our Lord by spreading His Word.

Sincerely,
Richard A.
Cameron, MO

Cameroon

Dear Tony Alamo Ministries,

Praise God, I have just received your shipment today. Your literature is highly welcome in the Cameroon society and many souls are won. Keep sending more to me. Our prison program is also doing well, and much is expected from our evangelism with your magazines. Many of my patients are also getting your literature from my consultation table. Please go ahead and send more!!

I am also using this opportunity to tell fellow brethren that they should attend my medical camp crusade which is routinely organized in various nations, for God is using such mediums to heal those who surrender themselves to Jesus. In these crusades, you will find magazines of Pastor Tony Alamo being shared to participants. Take note that medical doctors are using medicine to treat, but God has a special medicine He uses to heal you.

Best regards,
Dr. Asomba
Limbe, Cameroon

Thailand

Dearest People of God,

It's with great honor and respect that I bring greetings to the church of God. Thank you for your love, care, and support. I pray that God will continue to bless and protect you and your family. Amen. It's really my greatest joy and honor to be associated with a true church of God who teaches everything just right. May God strengthen you and your family. Amen.

I received the literature you sent to me. They are so amazing and changing a lot of lives here in prison; many have been transformed. One man I introduced to you has gotten his freedom through the prayers of the church. I saw his letter he sent to you in the literature you sent to me. When I was giving out the one that says "God is a Terrorist," after they read it, they came back to confess that indeed the writer is a great writer.

Please, we need more literature here. I will always do my best to spread the gospel here, even when I'm out of prison. I am so grateful for your support. Looking forward to hear from you soon. God bless you all. My warmest regards to all the church of God.

Hassane
Bangkok, Thailand

Liberia

Pastors, secretaries, and more people are showing interest in your literature and Bibles. People from Lutheran, Assembly of God, Seventh Day Adventist, Baptist, and Methodist churches are all building their interest in the Alamo literature. Even the Light of the World Assemblies of God Pastor said he was blessed to see the *Messiah* book. He told me that he is going to send a letter or email himself.

Pastor Nathaniel Diahn
Christ Church International
Zwedru City, Grand Gedeh County,
Liberia



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to the Heavenly FATHER to be with HIM there right now:

My LORD and my GOD, have mercy upon my soul, a sinner.¹³ I believe that JESUS CHRIST is the SON of the living GOD.¹⁴ I believe that HE died on the cross and shed HIS precious blood for the forgiveness of all my former sins.¹⁵ I believe that GOD raised JESUS from the dead by the power of the HOLY SPIRIT,¹⁶ and that HE sits on the right hand of GOD at this moment hearing my confession of sin and this prayer.¹⁷ I open up the door of my heart, and I invite YOU into my heart, LORD JESUS.¹⁸ Wash all of my filthy sins away in the precious blood that YOU shed in my place on the cross at Calvary.¹⁹ 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.²⁰ YOUR WORD says that YOU will turn no one away, and that includes me.²¹ Therefore, I know that YOU have heard me, and I know that YOU have answered me, and I know

that I am saved.²² 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.²³

After salvation, JESUS said to be baptized, fully submerged in water, in the name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY SPIRIT.²⁴ Then study the King James Version Bible, and, for your benefit and the benefit of others, do what it says.²⁵

CHRIST and GOD the FATHER now live in you through the HOLY SPIRIT. There is a way you can receive a fuller portion of the divine nature of GOD in you. The more the divine nature of GOD lives in you, the more you will be able to stand against the temptations that have so easily moved so many millions of Christians away from salvation. Pray for the baptism in the HOLY SPIRIT.²⁶ For instructions on how to receive the baptism in the HOLY SPIRIT and to receive more of GOD'S holy nature, ask for our literature or call. For without holiness, no man shall see GOD (Hebrews 12:14).

The LORD wants you to tell others of your salvation. You can become a distributor of Pastor Tony Alamo's gos-

pel literature. We'll send you literature free of charge. Call or email us for more information. Share this message with someone else.

If you want the world saved, as JESUS commands, then don't rob GOD of HIS tithes and offerings. GOD said, "Will a man rob GOD? Yet ye have robbed ME. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed THEE? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed ME, even this whole nation [and this whole world]. Bring ye all the tithes [a 'tithe' is 10% of your gross income] into the storehouse, that there may be meat [Spiritual food] in MINE house [souls saved], and prove ME now herewith, saith the LORD of HOSTS, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of HOSTS. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightful land, saith the LORD of HOSTS" (Malachi 3:8-12).

13 Psa. 51:5, Rom. 3:10-12, 23 14 Matt. 26:63-64, 27:54, Luke 1:30-33, John 9:35-37, Rom. 1:3-4 15 Acts 4:12, 20:28, Rom. 3:25, 1 John 1:7, Rev. 5:9 16 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 17 Luke 22:69, Acts 2:25-36, Heb. 10:12-13 18 1 Cor. 3:16, Rev. 3:20 19 Eph. 2:13-22, Heb. 9:22, 13:12, 20-21, 1 John 1:7, Rev. 1:5, 7:14 20 Matt. 26:28, Acts 2:21, 4:12, Eph. 1:7, Col. 1:14 21 Matt. 21:22, John 6:35, 37-40, Rom. 10:13 22 Heb. 11:6 23 John 5:14, 8:11, Rom. 6:4, 1 Cor. 15:10, Rev. 7:14, 22:14 24 Matt. 28:18-20, John 3:5, Acts 2:38, 19:3-5 25 Deut. 4:29, 13:4, 26:16, Josh. 1:8, 22:5, 2 Tim. 2:15, 3:14-17, James 1:22-25, Rev. 3:18 26 Isa. 28:11-12, Joel 2:28-29, Luke 3:16, 11:9-13, John 1:29-34, 7:37-39, 14:15-29, 15:26, 16:7-14, Acts 1:1-8, 2:1-18, 32-39, 5:29-32, 19:1-7, Rom. 5:3-5, 15:13

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