



Dear Friend of [Abiding Above](#),

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In these days in which we are living many people are asking one another, what is happening to us as a nation and what is going on in our churches. My friend, in times like these we must continue to believe in God, and His permissive will, knowing that He will remain true to His Word, and bring all things together for His glory and our good.

Jesus said in **John 14:1-3** - *“Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.”*

**Reaching Others:** My friend, this ministry continues to disciple individuals one-to-one, and through the mail with our Bible Lessons. Write to us and we will send you a free Bible Study Lesson. This will help you know where to look into your Bible to find those golden nuggets to pillow your head upon in times like these.

Praise the Lord! We have been invited by a radio station in Valdosta, GA to air our radio program, “Abiding Above with Chris Hodges,” reaching southern Georgia and northern Florida! What a wonderful opportunity for us to reach more listeners for the purpose of, *“Sharing the simple gospel with every person, encouraging spiritual growth in every believer, by the power of the Holy Spirit, and to the glory of God.”*

It encourages me to know that we are truly spreading the gospel according to the Word of God. We continue to reach people through various mediums such as audio and video, whether by CD/DVD’s, radio and internet radio, as well as via-satellite which enables us to reach many around the world.

Recently we received this email from one of our listener’s, *“I love listening to your radio program while driving home. I’m constantly fed the message in which only true spiritual growth can come: “I’m in Christ, and Christ is in me.” The encouragement that you give is such a blessing in my own personal walk with Christ. Knowing my heavenly position in Christ makes a difference in how I live my life each and every day as I count on Christ living His life in me. Thank you for communicating this message with so much love and simplicity! ~Brad*

This month I traveled to my hometown of Clarksdale, MS to preach in the church where I attended grade school many years ago. What a joy and privilege to be reunited with longtime friends and family, and to share with them all that God has done in my life since my younger days. During the morning service we had 9 make decisions for Christ, and that evening we had 9 more come forward during the invitation.

This past week I enjoyed speaking to a group of pastors in North Mississippi. They invited me to speak on the topic of the Spirit-filled Life. I brought a message entitled "*The Pathway of a Christian.*" It was well received as, "*iron sharpened iron.*" I talked about the normal struggles a Christian faces since being born in Adam, and the gradual dawning of knowing that you are now, and forever, in Christ Jesus.

**Ethiopia 2010:** If it is the Lord's will, I plan to return to Ethiopia in March. I will conduct a pastor's conference, hold evangelistic crusades in at least 2 prisons preaching to hundreds of prisoners, minister to the children of a local orphanage connecting them with local business leaders to help them with basic needs. I will also be discussing a church plant with leaders in the capital city of Addis Ababa. Please pray with me! I need your help to raise \$5,500 to cover the basic expenses.

As always, I am so grateful for your prayers and support. We could not do all of this without you our partner in ministry. What a friend we have in Jesus, and what a friend we have in you.

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Colossians 3:1-3

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