

Exalting God Through Pandemic

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city of God, the holy place where the Most High  
dwells. For God is within her, she will not fall; God

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**WILL NEVER**  
**LEAVE YOU**  
Nor Forsake  
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HEBREWS 13:5

I am with you always until the end of time.

- Jesus (Matthew 11:28)

‘The best of all is, God is with us.’

- John Wesley

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## Galatians 2

*(19) I died to the law so that I might live for God. (20) I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*

I tried keeping rules and working my head off to please God, and it didn't work. So I quit being a "law man" so that I could be God's man. Christ's life showed me how, and enabled me to do it.

I identified myself completely with him. Indeed, I have been crucified with Christ. My ego is no longer central. It is no longer important that I appear righteous before you or have your good opinion, and I am no longer driven to impress God.

Christ lives in me. The life you see me living is not “mine,” but it is lived by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” We need to stop trying to impress God and start living for Him, anything that we accomplish is not done by us, it's done by the Holy Spirit through us.

God doesn't want us focused on following rules because our minds are occupied by that instead of making ourselves available for the moving of the Holy Spirit..

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*(6 ) Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts. (8) Come and see what the Lord has done,*

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*(9) He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth.  
He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns  
the shields with fire.*

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The Coronavirus has also knocked out from under us the props we tend to lean on: government, industry, education, and science; a bull market and a strong economy... Overnight these seemingly sturdy buttresses are collapsing around us.

Our functional idols have been unmasked as fakes,  
and our functional saviors have proven to be  
illusions. ... we have awarded our highest affections  
to unworthy substitutes.

- Dr. Susan Booth

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*(8) He humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! (9) Therefore God exalted him...that the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, (11) and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

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- destroys the idol of wellness

## **1 Corinthians 10**

*(31) So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.*

**Exalt Christ in...**

**Your response to God**

**Exalt Christ in...**

Your praying

**Exalt Christ in...**

**Your giving**

**Exalt Christ in...**

**Your witnessing**

**You know of Him who died to save; tell them of Him. Lift high the cross before their eyes. Tell them that God became man that man might be lifted to God.**

Tell them of Calvary, and its groans, and cries, and sweat of blood. Tell them of Jesus hanging on the cross to save sinners. Tell them that —  
“There is life for a look at the Crucified One.”

**Tell them that He is able to save completely all those who come to God by Him. Tell them that He is able to save even at the eleventh hour, and to say to the dying thief, “today shalt thou be with Me in Paradise.”**

**Exalt Christ in...**

**Your attitude**

# Philippians 2

*(14) Do everything without grumbling or arguing,*

If the biggest sacrifice you're asked to make is to stay home and sit on the couch, then...do it. We owe it to them and to the healthcare personnel on the front lines of this new battle.

- *L.A. Times*

**Exalt Christ in...**

**Your rest**

## **Mathew 11:28,29**

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.