

Dear Friend of [Abiding Above](#),

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**T**oday more than ever, we need to be discipling others. Here at Abiding Above Ministries, we have men, women, boys, and girls being disciplined through the mail all across America. We also have a wonderful team of graders who grade these lessons for us. Thank you, volunteers, for grading all of these lessons!

Recently we received an encouraging letter through one of our volunteer graders in South Carolina. A 72-year old lady writes to us after completing 3 Bible Study Series and receiving her certificates.

*“The most important thing to me is the coming of Jesus Christ back again. What a great time that will be! I have had a lot of trying times in my life but my faith in Christ has brought me through. His grace and mercy have sustained me.*

*I have had a lot of surgery and sickness. Through my faith in Christ I have come through all of it. Thanks to Jesus Christ, my love for Him is greater than my life because He died on the cross for my sins.*

*I have enjoyed all of these lessons and have learned a lot. Please keep me in your prayers and I will keep praying for you to keep up the great work that you all are doing. Thank you and may God bless and keep you. Love always, Beatrice.”*

My friend, you can know this is what you are supporting. Whether through the mail, radio, or internet our mission is still the same: *“Sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with every person, encouraging spiritual growth in every believer, by the power of the Holy Spirit and to the glory of God.”*

Let me ask you a question that will lead to an answer concerning spiritual growth.

How can a red cow eat green grass and then give white milk out of which men make yellow butter? Isn't that a wonder of nature? When you stop and think about it... isn't that a miracle? How is it done? There can be only one answer. God does it all. God is the answer, and if He will do this for our bodies, will He not also give us spiritual growth? Surely, if we let Him, He will make us beautiful and strong in character.

My friend, this is my earnest prayer for you and me, that we will continue to be conformed to the image of Jesus.

The Apostle Paul said in **Romans 8:29** – *“For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son ...”*

Paul also shared his heart’s desire in **Galatians 4:19** – *“My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you ...”*

That’s what Abiding Above Ministries is all about, encouraging spiritual growth.

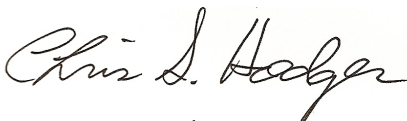
This month marks the beginning of our increased radio time with Bott-Radio Network. *Abiding Above Ministries with Chris Hodges* can now be heard every Monday through Friday at 4:56 pm, on WCRV 640-AM. We pray you will tune-in each weekday and listen to these 2-minute encouraging messages. I know you will be blessed!

I would also like to take a minute to update you on the latest change to our website, [www.abidingabove.org](http://www.abidingabove.org). We have now added an online **“Store”** where you may go and purchase single CD’s or CD-Albums for yourself or for others. We hope you will stop by and check us out!

My friend, these are exciting times as we continue to branch out and focus on the future. God is working in amazing ways and we continue to see souls saved and discipled. Never forget what a vital part you have in this ministry, as countless souls are lead into a deeper relationship to God through your gifts and through your prayers.

Thank you for your continued support and the unconditional love you express to us each month as you so faithfully give. I love you!

Abiding above,



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Colossians 3:1-3