



Dear Friend of *Abiding Above*,

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I so thank you for your love, prayers, and support. I continue to be amazed at what God has done these many years through us!

Here is a word of exhortation that I've used before, but it is worth repeating.

I Wanted To Change The World

When I was a young man, I wanted to change the world.

I found it was difficult to change the world, so I tried to change my nation.

When I found I couldn't change the nation, I began to focus on my town. I couldn't change the town and as an older man, I tried to change my family.

Now, as an old man, I realize the only thing I can change is myself, and suddenly I realize that if long ago I had changed myself, I could have made an impact on my family.

My family and I could have made an impact on our town. Their impact could have changed the nation and I could indeed have changed the world.

Aren't you glad we started Abiding Above Ministries more than 18 years ago now! We indeed have made changes here and around the world! Many souls have been saved! Many of God's dear children have been thoroughly disciplined and have multiplied this by discipling others! Thank you for being a part of it all!



I had the joy and privilege of ministering in the workplace at the Medtronic company with my longtime friend, Rex Armstrong. Medtronic's is a leader in health care technology here in America and in more than 150 countries. Rex serves in part, as staff chaplain at Medtronic.

I spoke there two different weeks on this title, "**Sharing Your Faith At Work.**" My two sessions were online, so our audience was more than a hundred employees across America and in other countries. It would be wonderful if more businesses would be willing to do things like this throughout the year.

I was also blessed to preach several times this past month at a very early Tuesday morning Bible study called Awaken. It is a place where God's children gather to encourage one another in God's Word and by His indwelling Holy Spirit.



Romans 12:1–2 – “Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.”

Please be in prayer for me as I continue to plan with our key leaders in Kenya for my upcoming trip in September to Nairobi, Kisumu, Kissi and Eldorate. Also, Lord willing, a team and I will do raw evangelism in October on the large city streets of Ukraine, Poland and Lithuania.

May God continue to bless all that you put your mind and hands to and make you a blessing to many!

Abiding above,

Handwritten signature of Chris S. Hodges in cursive script.

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Colossians 3:1-3

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