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There is true peace in Christ

2 Chronicles 22 tells the story of his son Ahaziah succeeding him as king after Joram's death. The whole of Judah remained shrouded in darkness. Not only did Jehoram follow Ahab in the northern kingdom of evil, but now Ahaziah also continues to be influenced by Ahab's house. He obeyed the counsel of the house of Ahab, and fought with the house of Ahab, and was destroyed by Jehu with him. Jehoshaphat did not rely on God alone, but he wanted his country to be safe, so he married Ahab's house and married Ahab's son Jehoram and Jezebel's daughter Athaliah, and from then on the curse of Ahab's house came upon the house of Judah, and Athaliah became a curse to Judah. This history gives us a great reminder that, first of all, we must fear and rely on God, and rely on God with all our hearts and minds. Second, stay away from sin, which spreads. We must not underestimate the forces of sin, which can consume us and put us in a position of opposition to God. In our daily lives, the best way to prevent evil forces from encroaching on our hearts is to stay away from them. In addition, we should also know that life affects life. The southern kings of Joram and Ahaziah were under the influence of Athaliah and their relatives and fell under the power of sin, reminding us to be mindful of the good or bad influence of our friends and relatives around us.

The text also says: "Joash hid with them in the temple of God for six years." Athaliah usurped the throne. " (22:12)。 On one side the wicked usurped the throne, on the other side there was

calm, and the walls of the temple separated the two worlds. Hiding in the temple of God lets us know that we are under God's protection, and secondly, shows that we hold fast in our faith, not to compromise with evil, not to imitate the world, but to renew our minds and test what is God's good, perfect, and pleasing will (Romans 12:2)

Paul said, "Your lives are hidden with Christ in God." Christ is our life, and when He is revealed, you will also appear with Him in glory. (Colossians 3:3-4)

The phrase "true peace in Christ" expresses the idea in the Christian faith that through a relationship with the Lord (Jesus Christ), one can attain true inner peace. This peace is one that transcends worldly worries and troubles, and is based on faith and spiritual comfort and support.

In the Bible, there are many verses that refer to this kind of peace. For example:

John 14:27: "I leave peace unto you, and I give you my peace; What I have given is not as the world has given me. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither be afraid. "

Philippians 4:7: "The peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

These verses point out that true peace comes from God's gift and transcends human understanding and worldly circumstances. For Christians, this peace is not only an emotional comfort, but also a spiritual stability that enables them to maintain peace of mind and trust in the face of life's challenges and difficulties.

In the hustle and bustle of modern society, it is becoming increasingly difficult to pursue inner peace and tranquility. For Christians, however, the Bible provides a guideline for hiding life in God with Christ. By creating a deep connection with God, we can find inner peace. So, how do you achieve this inner peace in real life? This article will explore this issue from the perspective of faith.

### 1. Understand the meaning of "hidden in God."

In Colossians 3:3, Paul writes, "For you are dead, and your life is hidden with Christ in God." The meaning of this statement is that the believer's old self died in Christ, and now their new life is hidden in God with Christ. This hiding is not an escapism, but a deep oneness with God. It means that our identity and worth no longer depend on worldly standards, but on our relationship with Christ.

### 2. Communicate with God through prayer

Prayer is the most direct way to communicate with God. Through prayer, we can pour out our troubles, troubles, and thanksgiving to God. Prayer is not only about asking God, but also about listening to God's voice. In prayer, we can find inner peace and peace. Prayer at a fixed time each day can help us find moments of solitude with God in our busy lives, so that we can feel God's presence and comfort.

### 3. Meditate on God's Word

Meditating on the Bible is another effective way to achieve inner peace. Through Bible reading and meditation, we can gain a deeper understanding of God's will and love. Meditating on God's Word is not only an accumulation of knowledge, but also a spiritual nourishment. In quiet moments, we can reflect on the wisdom of the scriptures and draw inspiration and guidance from them. The wisdom and teachings in the Bible can help me

Hiding one's life in God with Christ is the goal of every Christian. Through prayer, meditating on God's Word, participating in church life, and practicing gratitude and service, we can find inner peace in God. No matter how the external environment changes, inner peace can be a source of strength for us to face all challenges. May each of us find that peace of mind and serenity in God's love and grace.

Let's pray together.

Dear Lord, thank you for teaching us today to be vigilant, to fear and rely on God alone, and to turn away from the forces of evil. We know that in the midst of the power of sin, you are still in power, you are still preparing, and your promises will never fail! Help us pray for this wicked generation to also be a light in the darkness. Thank you, Lord! Bless your church and bless your children! Pray and give thanks in the holy name of the Lord Jesus Christ, amen.

## 2 Chronicles of the Dynasties, chapter 22

22:1 The inhabitants of Jerusalem succeeded Ahaziah, the youngest son of Joram, as king. For the soldiers who had come with the Arabites had slain all the brothers of Ahazah. So Ahaziah the son of Joram king of Judah reigned.

22:2 Ahaziah was forty-two years old when he became king (2 Kings 8:26 was twenty-two years old) and reigned in Jerusalem for one year. His mother's name was Athaliah and she was the granddaughter of Omri.

22:3 And Ahaziah walked in the way of Ahab's house. for his mother hath given him counsel to do evil.

22:4 He did evil things in the eyes of Yahweh, as Ahab's house did. for after the death of his father the men of Ahab's house had plotted against him, and he was corrupted.

22:5 He obeyed the counsel of the house of Ahab, and went with Joram, the son of Ahab, king of Israel, to Ramoth, Gilead, to fight against Hazael king of Syria. The Syrians wounded Joram.

22:6 And Joram returned to Jezreel, and healed the wounds he had wounded in the battle with Hazael king of Syria in Ramoth, and Azariah (i.e., Ahaziah), the son of Joram king of Judah, was sick because of Jehoram the son of Ahab. and went down to Jezreel to see him.

22:7 Ahaziah went to Joram and was killed, and it was out of God. For when he had arrived, he went out with Joram against Jehu, the son of Nimshi. This Jehu was anointed by Yahweh, who caused him to cut off the house of Ahab.

22:8 When Jehu was begging Ahab for the sins of his house, he saw all the princes of Judah and all of Ahaziah's nephews serving Ahaziah, and killed them all.

22:9 And Ahaziah was hiding in Samaria, and Jehu sought him, and they took him and brought him to Jehu, and killed him, and buried him. For they say that he is the son of Jehovah Jehoshaphat with all his heart. In this way, Ahaziah's family was powerless to defend their kingdom.

22:10 When Ahaziah's mother, Athaliah, saw that her son was dead, she rose up and destroyed the royal house of Judah.

22:11 But Josheba, the king's daughter, stole Jehoash the son of Ahazeiah out of the king's son, who was slain, and hid him and his nurse in the bedroom. Josheba was the daughter of King Joram, the sister of Ahaziah, and the wife of Jehoiada the priest. She took Joash and hid from Athaliah, that she might not be killed.

22:12 Joash hid with them in the temple for six years. Athaliah usurped the throne.

Chapter 22 of the Book of Chronicles focuses on the reign of Ahaziah, the king of the Kingdom of Judah, and his assassination. Here is a detailed summary:

Ahaziah, the son of Jehoshaphat, the son of Jehoram, became king of Judah for a short time, only one year. He ruled in a manner similar to that of his father, following the idolatry of King Ahab of Israel and establishing idolatrous altars in Jerusalem and the cities of Judah.

During his tenure of only one year, Ahaziah went with Jehoram, king of Israel, to defeat Syria's army, but was mortally wounded in battle. Upon his return to Jerusalem, Ahaziah was assassinated by Jehu, the son of Manasseh, who lived in Samaria. God also punished Ahaziah's family by hiding his son Joash from his mother Ahaziah's family after Ahaziah's death. Athaliah succeeded in hiding Joash and arranged for him to be protected and educated in Jerusalem.

A few important passages from 2 Chronicles 22:

1. 2 Chronicles 22:2: "Ahaziah was forty-two years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem one year. His mother's name was Athaliah, the granddaughter of Omri. "

This passage describes what happened when Ahaziah became king. He was older than his father, Joram, when he ascended the throne, but his reign was short-lived, lasting only one year. Ahaziah's mother, Athaliah, was the granddaughter of Omri, and her political intrigues in Judah will be mentioned later.

2. 2 Chronicles 22:10: "When Athaliah, the mother of Ahaziah, saw that her son was dead, she rose up and destroyed the royal house of Judah. "

This is an important scripture about Ahaziah's mother, Athaliah. She was Ahaziah's mother, but after Ahaziah's death, she wanted to destroy the royal family of Judah and seize the throne for her own political benefit. This led to turmoil and political crises within the royal family.

3. 2 Chronicles 22:11: "Josheba, the daughter of Joram, stole Jehoash the son of Ahaziah from among the slain princes, and hid him and his nurse in his bedroom. Josheba, the daughter of King Joram, the sister of Ahaziah, guarded Joash from Athaliah from being slain. ”

This passage tells the story of how Josheba, the daughter of Queen Masha (Jehoram's wife), saved Joash. Josheba was the daughter of King Joram and the sister of Ahaziah. When Athaliah tried to take the throne and kill Joash, Josheba secretly hid Joash and his nurse in his bedroom to protect him from being killed.

4. 2 Chronicles 22:12: "Joash hid with them in the temple for six years, and when Athaliah usurped the throne, he came out and became king." ”

This passage explains that Joash hid in the temple for six years. It was only after Athaliah usurped the throne that Joash was brought out and enthroned as the kingdom of Judah

2 Chronicles chapter 22 goes on to record important events in Israel's history, particularly the succession of King David's son Azariah (Asa) to the throne after his son Solomon, as well as some of Asa's actions and decisions during his reign. This chapter focuses on God's blessing and protection of obedient people, as well as the responsibility and influence of leaders in faith.

Although this chapter is primarily a record of historical events, it still contains some theological ideas and gains.

The following are the central theological ideas and theological findings that can be found in 2 Chronicles 22:

**Responsibilities and Influence of Leadership:** In chapter 22, Asa is the king, and his actions and decisions affect the fate of the nation and people of Israel. Leaders have great responsibilities, and their choices affect the country and its people.

**Obedience to God's blessings:** During Asa's reign, he sought God's will and obeyed God's laws and commandments, and God blessed him and Israel. Faithfulness and obedience to God are essential conditions for receiving God's blessings.

Faith and Reliance: Asa relied on God's strength and God's help to overcome his enemies. This highlights the importance of faith and reliance on God.

Leadership Influence and God's Mercy: Asa obeyed God's laws, and during his reign, the Israelites received God's protection and mercy. A leader's faithfulness can affect the situation of an entire nation and its people.

Overall, Chapter 22 of the Book of Chronicles is primarily a record of historical events, including themes of leadership responsibility and influence, obedience to God's blessings, and faith and dependence on God. Through these accounts, we can gain a deeper understanding of the responsibilities and influence of leaders, and that their actions and choices can have a significant impact on nations and people. Faithfulness to God is the key to God's blessing and protection, but it also requires full trust in God and reliance on His strength. In faith, we should seek God's will and obey His laws so that our lives may manifest God's glory and reflect God's kingdom.