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December 10, 1970

Mr. Alan Diana
4950 South Hagadorn Road
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Dear Alan:

I can certainly appreciate your concern about the proper approach to the matter of entering Abilene Christian College. Unfortunately, when you called the other day I was just ready to leave the house on a long trip. I had waited until the last minute and was in the process of leaving at the time the phone call came. I hope I didn't sound hurried on the phone and that I did give all of your questions the careful attention they deserved. Please be assured of my continuing interest and willingness to help in any way you see fit.

I do believe you are right in leaving this matter in the Lord's hands. I think you might allow Him the possibility of opening the door at Abilene Christian College by writing the people here and explaining your situation. I suggested that to you on the telephone conversation. This way would be able to find out whether there was a possibility or not. If the Lord did want you to come to ACC, it might develop very naturally out of the inquiry you would make to the Director of Missions. That, however, is a matter for you to decide. Don't let any of us pull you in a contrary direction (James 1:5-9).

It was great seeing you two weeks ago. Thank you so much for coming down. Give Kathy and all the other brothers and sisters of mine at Campus Advance my love and concern.

Your brother,

John Allen Chalk

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The Lord delighteth in
thee... Isa. 62:4

Nov 26th

Dearest John Allen,

After our talk on the phone last nite, after praying, thinking, seeking; I have concluded that there is no need to try to get into A.C.C. I don't know if this letter will get ~~to~~ to you in time, but I hope that it does before you talk to anyone at A.C.C.

I am ashamed that I have so suddenly thought that others might be able to do something He couldn't. I am not discounting help in any way. The trial here is if I can primarily, ultimately, and definitely, put my life (my mind + thoughts) in His Personal directing. I am believing that either I couldn't get in to ACC now or other reasons... the details are not important. He knows. I am ashamed to doubt.

I really don't mean to sound
helpless or lazy (I am tho.)

I can believe tho that He
wants me to get into O.C.C.

but we have this treasure
in earthen vessels,

to show that the transcendent
power belongs to God and not to us.

II Cor 5:7

forgive me for troubling you,
as you did it to one
of the least of ... My brethren,
you did it to Me. mat 25:40

prayers for you + yours,

again. I thank you for your
gracious concern + action, it was wonderful
for me + Jerry to see you,
may Christ be your strength

sincerely yours,

love,

alan