## CHRISTIAN OVERCOMERS CHURCH

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## **RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION REQUEST FROM VACCINES**

To Whom It May Concern,

As a Bible believing Christian and registered member of Christian Overcomers Church, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_has deeply held religious convictions making it *impossible* for him/her to take the Covid-19 vaccines.

Taking this vaccine and/or other vaccines would violate the Biblical Command NOT to defile the Temple of God (our bodies) with a substance that alters, defiles, or deceives the immune system to operate in a manner not intended by the Creator through mRNA technology and/or other means (See Psalms 139:14, Genesis 1:26-31, Galatians 5:20).

Scripture says:

"Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?... If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him." -1 Corinthians 6:19, 3:16-17

There couldn't be a more severe warning to the believer regarding the care of the human body.

When it comes to disease, God's Word promises the believer natural immunity when they obey His laws concerning morality, diet, personal hygiene, and physical fitness. Exodus 20, Psalms 91, Leviticus 11-15, and Deuteronomy 28 are just several places explaining this.

They can be summed up here in a single verse:

"If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who keeps you free from disease." -Exodus 15:26

Thus, obeying God's law, we believe, is the surest way to protect ourselves and those around us from communicable diseases. Additionally, our church not only views vaccines as *unclean*, we consider them a risky attempt by man to *hack* his way around natural God-given immunity, i.e., trying to short-cut the laws of God to good health (Revelation 18:23). This act of rebellion may come with severe consequences now and/or on the day of Judgment (Revelation 9:21, 21:8). Therefore, we are compelled to trust God rather than manmade vaccines (Psalms 118:8).

Realizing that even the most faithful believer can fall ill at times due to imperfect obedience to the laws of God or by simply living in this fallen world, Jesus, THE GREAT HEALER, not only approves of *treating* the sick, He encourages it! Therefore, medical treatment *for the sick* (which is available), not vaccines, is where our faith believes our focus should be.

Jesus answered and said unto them, "Those who are well have NO need of a physician, but those who are sick." -Luke 5:31

If forced to violate our faith, we would be attributing powers that belong 'only to God' to a vaccine (Psalms 30:3, Jeremiah 17:14, Matthew 6:21, Jeremiah 30:17, etc.). It would be the equivalent of telling the world that the vaccine and its developers are lord and savior rather than the true God of the Bible and His Son Jesus Christ (Jeremiah 17:5). We cannot do this under any circumstance. Idolatry, sorcery, and the worship of false gods are strictly prohibited in the Bible.

Thank you in advance for respecting and honoring our religious right to preserve our bodies to be a Holy Habitation for God to dwell in.

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PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS EXEMPTION UNLESS YOU FIRST CONTACT PASTOR BEN HEATH TO CONFIRM THAT:

- 1) You are a Baptized Christian
- 2) You believe the Bible, both Old & New Testaments to be the WORD OF GOD
- 3) You agree with Christian Overcomers doctrinal declaration (on reverse) as it pertains to Covid-19 and/or other vaccines

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