

FIRE BY NIGHT

"Reflections Upon Reflections" [of The Father's Heart]

...."You, in Your great compassion, did not forsake them in the wilderness; The pillar of cloud did not leave them by day, to guide them on their way, or the pillar of fire by night, to light for them the way in which they were to go".... Nehemiah 9:19 NASB

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FALSE DOCTRINES AND THE TRADITIONS OF MEN

Words of prophecy:

* *I have not called My children to live by "legalistic" and "moralistic" rules [in a "spirit of self-righteousness"] but, rather, by "revelation" - in the power and supernatural constraint of My [Holy] Spirit [Who is the Spirit of Love and the Spirit of wisdom and revelation and the Spirit of Grace].*

...."Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy".... Luke 12:1 NASB

...."Then Jesus spoke to the crowds and to His disciples, saying: 'The scribes and the Pharisees have seated themselves in the chair of Moses; therefore all that they tell you, do and observe, but do not do according to their deeds; for they say things and do not do them. "They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but they themselves are unwilling to move them with so much as a finger. But they do all their deeds to be noticed by men; for they broaden their phylacteries and lengthen the tassels of their garments. They love the place of honor at banquets and the chief seats in the synagogues, and respectful greetings in the market places, and being called Rabbi by men".... Matthew 23:1-7 NASB

...."For it is by free grace [God's unmerited favor] that you are saved [delivered from judgment and made partakers of Christ's salvation] through [your] faith. And this [salvation] is not of yourselves [of your own doing, it came not through your own striving], but it is the gift of God; Not because of works [not the fulfilment of the Law's demands], lest any man should boast. [It is not the result of what anyone can possibly do, so no one can pride himself in it or take

glory to himself.] For we are God's [own] handiwork [His workmanship], recreated in Christ Jesus, [born anew] that we may do those good works which God predestined [planned beforehand] for us [taking paths which He prepared ahead of time], that we should walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us to live]. (Ephesians 2:8-10)

...."It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing".... John 6:63
NASB

...."He who speaks from himself seeks his own glory; but He who is seeking the glory of the One who sent Him, He is true, and there is no unrighteousness in Him".... John 7:18 NASB

"relevance" - having direct bearing on the matter in hand; pertinent;

Believing that one can "earn" their way into Heaven *[or for that matter have ANY form of relevance in the Kingdom - in the power of their own strength and understanding]* is the spontaneous by-product of the false doctrines and traditions of men that have been formulated in unrighteousness and self-sufficiency - and it opens the door wide in one's thinking to justify the seeking after "self-glory".

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that in this hour You are raising up a Glorious Church - a Glorious Church that is totally free from the "traditions" *[philosophies]* of men" and the doctrines of demons in all of their forms. And we declare it DONE *[on an ongoing basis]*, in the Name of Jesus - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.

...."As you have therefore received Christ, [even] Jesus the Lord, [so] walk (regulate your lives and conduct yourselves) in union with and conformity to Him. Have the roots [of your being] firmly and deeply planted [in Him, fixed and founded in Him], being continually built up in Him, becoming increasingly more confirmed and established in the faith, just as you were taught, and abounding and overflowing in it with thanksgiving. See to it that no one carries you off as spoil or makes you yourselves captive by his so-called philosophy and intellectualism and vain deceit (idle fancies and plain nonsense), following human tradition (men's ideas of the material rather than the spiritual world), just crude notions following the rudimentary and elemental teachings of the universe and

disregarding [the teachings of] Christ (the Messiah). For in Him the whole fullness of Deity (the Godhead) continues to dwell in bodily form [giving complete expression of the divine nature]. And you are in Him, made full and having come to fullness of life [in Christ you too are filled with the Godhead--Father, Son and Holy Spirit--and reach full spiritual stature]. And He is the Head of all rule and authority [of every angelic principality and power]".... Colossians 2:6-10 The Amplified Translation