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

April 12th

IT IS MUCH EASIER FOR ONE TO FOLLOW AFTER "FLESH AND BLOOD"

Words of prophecy:

* It will either be a "sustained" obedience unto the death of the self-life [and, thus, perfect entrance into superabundant life in the Kingdom and the fullness of Covenant] or a "wilful" disobedience [rooted in heart-fellowship with the world and its ways] unto the death of the physical life in the case of many in this final hour.

"sustain" - endure without giving way or yielding;

...."Do you not know that if you continually surrender yourselves to anyone to do his will, you are the slaves of him whom you obey, whether that be to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience which leads to righteousness [right doing and right standing with God]?".... Romans 6:16 The Amplified Translation

...."Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision".... Joel 3:14 NASB

...."Who is the man who fears the LORD? He will instruct him in the way he should choose. His soul will abide in prosperity, and his descendants will inherit the land. The secret of the LORD is for those who fear Him, and He will make them know His covenant".... Psalms 25:12-14 NASB

.... "Remember Lot's wife [Gen. 19:26]!".... Luke 17:32 NASB

"easy" - not hard or difficult; requiring no great labour or effort [in this case "faith"]; not tight or constricting;

...."If anyone intends to come after Me, let him deny himself [forget, ignore, disown, and lose sight of himself and his own interests] and take up his cross, and [joining Me as a disciple and siding with My party] follow with Me [continually, cleaving steadfastly to Me]".... Mark 8:34 The Amplified Translation

...."I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. So choose life in order that you may live, you and your descendants, by loving the LORD your God, by obeying His voice, and by holding fast to Him; for this is your life and the length of your days, that you may live in the land which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give them".... Deuteronomy 30:19-20 NASB

...."Enter through the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and spacious and broad is the way that leads away to destruction, and many are those who are entering through it. But the gate is narrow [contracted by pressure] and the way is straitened and compressed that leads away to life, and few are those who find it [and walk in it]".... Matthew 7:13-14 The Amplified Translation

It is a much "easier" thing [to the soul: mind, will, emotions - and the body] for one to follow after "flesh and blood" [outward appearances] than to follow after the Father and His Will [Word]. For the way is "narrow" [contracted by pressure - through much trial and tribulation] that leads one to the place wherein they will be found "abiding" [dwelling] in the Love of God - at all cost to "themselves".

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a people who are continually found walking on the "narrow path" - the path of righteousness that leads to overflowing Life *[Zoe]*. And we declare it DONE *[on an ongoing basis]*, in the Name of Jesus - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.

...."In the way [path] of righteousness [right standing and communion with the Father and His Word] is [the continual impartation of] life [Zoe - divine Life, Grace, divine Love, divine Light, divine Wisdom, resurrection power - first to oneself and, then to all those who cross their path], and in its pathway there is no death [no death in any of its forms {darkness, fear, sickness and disease etc.} can remain standing {functional}]".... Proverbs 12:28 NASB