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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THE CURSE OF "DISUNITY"

Words of Prophecy:

* How "pleasant" [pleasing] it is [both for them and for Me] when My children dwell [abide] in true unity and one accord - in the power of My Spirit [Who is the Spirit of Love and the Spirit of wisdom and revelation]. How unpleasant [displeasing] it is to Me when My children are found in either disunity through "division" [literally two different visions] and strife [contentions born of jealousy] or a "unity" that is not of Me [agreement with each other on anything that is apart from My Will] because in those places ALL manner of evil exists - producing an environment of pride [self-exaltation], darkness and confusion [turmoil, disorder and disharmony] rather than an environment of life, love, revelation and power - a power that will set the captives free at every turn [Acts 10:38].

...."Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious oil upon the head, Coming down upon the beard, Even Aaron's beard, Coming down upon the edge of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon Coming down upon the mountains of Zion; For there the LORD commanded the blessing - life [love, truth, revelation, wisdom righteousness] forever".... Psalms 133:1-3 NASB

...."Can two walk together, except they be agreed [have a concurring "revelation" of the Father's Will]".... Amos 3:3 KJV

"concur" - to agree; be of the same mind [in this case the Mind of Christ]; be in one accord;

...."Who among you is wise and understanding? Let him show by his good behavior his deeds in the gentleness of wisdom. But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not be arrogant and so lie against the truth. This wisdom is not that which comes down from above, but is earthly, natural, demonic. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, without hypocrisy. And the seed whose fruit is righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace"....
James 3:13-18 NASB

In these days, it is certain that in many areas [congregations] within the church at large there remains much "disunity" where the highest purposes of the Father are concerned. Indeed, it is a common [certain] occurrence, in one way or another, in the midst of the congregations wherein the "leadership" are not operating from the position of a heart that is "wholly given" to the Father's highest Will and Purpose - both individually and corporately.

There are many true seekers out there, that are in the types of environment described above. The ultimate goal, of course, for every true seeker is to enter into the fullness of their true Kingdom-position and destiny, in Christ - the spontaneous fruit of which is entrance into the true spiritual environment [again, both individually and corporately] the Father has planned for them [whatever that may encompass in the glorious days just ahead - as each true spiritual environment is unique to the Father's perfect purpose for that child of God, again, both individually and corporately].

In the meantime, it is of the utmost importance for each and every child of God to simply continue to draw near to the Father - on a daily basis. For in positioning themselves in the place of intimacy with Him [and Jesus] the Holy Spirit will continually guide them [with pin-point accuracy I might add] in what to say and do in dealing with the various schemes of the Enemy they run into in their present "environment".

As they are faithful to do this, they will be a continual light in the darkness - and, ultimately, as the fullness of the Father's plan <code>[and/or judgement]</code> unfolds for that environment, and it is time for them to move on into the fullness of their Kingdom-position and destiny, they will have, in their exercising of a steadfast faith and love over those in the congregation, lighted up the path for any who truly desire to move deeper in the things of God. In other words, when the time comes,

they [those who have finally come to the realization that something is wrong in their present environment] will know which path to take because they [those who have prayed for them] have been faithful to continue "seeking first the Kingdom" in the midst of the darkness hovering over that congregation.

Now, having said all that, it is the utmost importance for every child of God to continue to believe for the Father's best in their present church environment for it is possible that it may be His Plan to "resurrect" that work - although I must say that He is doing a "new thing" in this hour as a Glorious Church begins to "take legs" and, for the most part, we will see a totally "new beginning" in each case where the Enemy has infiltrated an environment, to any great degree.

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have created within us hearts that are ever seeking Your best for all those on our path - both individually and corporately. We proclaim that we will NEVER give up on the assignment You have assigned to us but, rather, we will endure in faith and patience UNTIL Your perfect purpose is accomplished - regardless of the state of our present circumstances. And we declare ALL of these things DONE to Your greatest Glory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.