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

March 4th

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Words of Prophecy:

* These are the days wherein those who truly love Me will walk by revelation alone. For, indeed, the day has come when I will judge [expose] all those who follow after "flesh and blood" instead of My Spirit - as well as all those who have "allowed" it [self-adulation] - through their ardent pursuit of "honour" and self-glory. For to follow after "flesh and blood" before Me is born of a spirit of idolatry - a spirit that must be removed "entirely" from the midst of the congregations if they are to enter into both their individual and corporate destiny, in Christ, in this most glorious hour.

"adulation" - to show excessive admiration or devotion to; flatter or admire servilely;

...."let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall. No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it. Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry".... 1 Corinthians 10:12-14 NASB

In the matter of one seeking after "other's" spiritual experiences [testimonies], the key is simply that as, children of God, we must be found [firstly] pursuing "revelation" in the secret place of God's Presence [the "inner chamber"] - and the life of faith and trust in the Father and His Word that is its spontaneous fruit [as opposed to fixing our eyes on flesh and blood - and their "experiences"]. Then, as we go continue along the path God has laid out for us we

gain our own spiritual experience [revelation].

Many times through the years, the Father will use the "experiences" [testimonies] of others to confirm our path. However, we must ALWAYS put our own relationship with Him first. This produces two things: firstly our experiences prove the Word in our own lives as we maintain an attitude of faith and love and, secondly, that releases life, light [revelation], Love etc. into the lives that the Father leads across our path. Summarizing: when we find our approval, acceptance and all-sufficiency in the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit it is CERTAIN that we will be found bearing maximum fruit for both the Church and the Kingdom.

...."For am I now seeking the favor [approval] of men, or of God? Or am I striving to please men? If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a bond-servant of Christ".... Galatians 1:10 NASB

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a people who have forsaken "idolatry" in ALL of its forms *[both subtle and blatant]* - and that, in our hearts, we are continually found giving You preeminence in our diligent pursuit of our precious destiny, in Christ. And we declare ALL of these things DONE *[on an ongoing basis]* to Your greatest Glory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

...."Therefore, my dearly beloved, shun [keep clear away from, avoid by flight if need be] any sort of idolatry [of loving or venerating anything more than God]".... 1 Corinthians 10:14 The Amplified Translation