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

July 11th

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Words of prophecy:

* You will never have the "approval" of any man who does not love Me with their whole heart [Luke 10:27]. For "all" who walk in less than perfect obedience - those who seek Me from less than a pure heart - shall be offended by the words that you speak. Quite simply, to the degree that one has conformed themselves to My Will, it is to that degree that they will approve of the words you speak, and to the degree that they have hardened their hearts against Me, it is to that degree that they will be offended and stumble at the words you speak.

...."Therefore you have no excuse or defense or justification, O man, whoever you are who judges and condemns another. For in posing as judge and passing sentence on another, you condemn yourself, because you who judge are habitually practicing the very same things [that you censure and denounce]".... Romans 2:1 The Amplified Translation

...."For am I now seeking the favor 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

There will always be those who are offended at true faith, love and obedience - as it betrays the things in their heart that are not centered on the Father's best and highest purpose, for not only those in their sphere of existence but, also, themselves.

If one truly loves another they will ALWAYS rejoice when that one steps

out in faith and obedience. It does not mean that they never loved that person BUT, again, it betrays the fact that to some degree "self" is still on the throne of their own heart. Therefore, when one is confronted with those who become offended with their words and actions of faith, love and obedience it is important for them to continue focussing on the Father's Will/Word above all else . For it is certain that when one is found faithful in this HE will be found empowering them to rise above, victoriously, every scheme of the Enemy.

There is, indeed, great reward - both in our remaining time in this dispensation and throughout Eternity - for those who are truly pursuing the Father and His Will with all of their heart in this most critical and glorious hour.

....Love endures long and is patient and kind; love never is envious nor boils over with jealousy, is not boastful or vainglorious, does not display itself haughtily. It is not conceited (arrogant and inflated with pride); it is not rude (unmannerly) and does not act unbecomingly. Love (God's love in us) does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking; it is not touchy or fretful or resentful; it takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong]. It does not rejoice at injustice and unrighteousness, but rejoices when right and truth prevail. Love bears up under anything and everything that comes, is ever ready to believe the best of [and for] every person, its hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and it endures everything [without weakening]. Love never fails [never fades out or becomes obsolete or comes to an end]".... 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a The Amplified Translation

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a people who rejoice at the faith, obedience and blessing *[prosperity]* of others simply because anything and everything that conforms to Your Will delights our heart. And we give You all praise and honour and glory in Jesus' Name. Amen.