

# 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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### FAITH "HELD TO"

#### Words of prophecy:

\* Unbelief "corrodes" [*erodes*] faith.

**"corrode"** - to eat or wear away gradually as if by gnawing; to impair; deteriorate;

**"erode"** - "to eat into or away; destroy by slow consumption or disintegration;

*...."for we walk by faith [revelation], not by sight [feelings - or lack thereof]".... 2 Corinthians 5:7 NASB*

*...."These are the ones who are beside the road where the word is sown; and when they hear, immediately Satan comes and takes away the word which has been sown in them. "In a similar way these are the ones on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy; and they have no firm root in themselves, but are only temporary; then, when **affliction** or **persecution** arises because of the word, immediately they fall away. "And others are the ones on whom seed was sown among the thorns; these are the ones who have heard the word, but **the worries of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things** [that are apart from God's Will] enter in and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful".... Mark 4:15-19 NASB*

*...."So we see that they were not able to enter [into His rest], because of their unwillingness to adhere to and trust in and rely on God [unbelief had shut them out]".... [Num. 14:1-35]".... Hebrews 3:19 The Amplified Translation*

Fear "held to" *[maintained]* contaminates faith. Faith *[which is both energized and activated by Love]* "held to" *[maintained]* obliterates fear.

**"contaminate"** - to make impure or unsuitable by contact or mixture with something unclean, bad, etc.

**"obliterate"** - to remove or destroy all traces of; do away with; destroy completely;

.... *"For what I fear comes upon me, And what I dread befalls me".... Job 3:25 NASB*

.... *"I sought the LORD, and He answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. They looked to Him and were radiant, and their faces will never be ashamed".... Psalms 34:4-5 NASB*

.... *"God did not give us a spirit of fear, but of power, and of love [trust], and of a sound mind".... 2 Timothy 1:7 Young's Literal Translation*

.... *"There is no fear in love [dread does not exist], but full-grown (complete, perfect) [revelation of] love turns fear out of doors and EXPELS every trace of terror!".... 1 John 4:18 The Amplified Translation*

### **Prayer of Proclamation:**

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a "fearless" people - a people of faith, whose sole desire is the carrying out Your Will/Word. And we declare it DONE *[on an ongoing basis]* in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.

.... *"faith, if it does not have works (deeds and actions of obedience to back it up), by itself is destitute of power (inoperative, dead)".... James 2:17 The Amplified Translation*

.... *"We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the true knowledge of God [and who we ALREADY are, in Christ], and we are taking every thought captive [through proclamation] to the obedience of Christ [a revelation of the Father's Will]".... 2 Corinthians 10:5 NASB*