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 REALITY OF GOD'S KINGDOM

Words of prophecy:

* In these days, I shall now begin to remove the "stumbling blocks" from the lives of those who truly love Me and, in the process, separate those who truly love Me from the lives of those who have made themselves "stumbling blocks" to those who are seeking first My Kingdom and the fullness of their precious destiny, in Christ.

"**stumbling block**" - those who set their mind on the pursuit of self-glory and the praises of men, and not on the Will of God - for either themselves or the people of God;

"separate" - to set apart from; disconnect; dissociate [sever];

...."But He turned and said to Peter, Get behind Me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to Me; for you are not setting your mind on God's interests, but man's".... Matthew 16:23 NASB

.... "The Son of Man will send forth His angels [messengers], and they will gather out of His kingdom all stumbling blocks, and those who commit lawlessness, and will throw them into the furnace of fire; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. THEN the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear".... Matthew 13:41-43 NASB

Even though, at times, one's outward circumstances can be extremely adverse the reality of the matter is that there is a Kingdom continually operating deep within the heart of the one who truly loves God.

...."But seek [aim at and strive after] first of all His kingdom and His righteousness [His way of doing and being right], and then all these things taken together will be given you besides".... Matthew 6:33 The Amplified Translation

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that the reality of Your Kingdom abides deep within our hearts. Therefore, we set ourselves to keep our eyes "fixed" *[steadfastly focussed]* on the "things above" regardless of any "temporal" circumstances we may be facing. And we declare it DONE *[on an ongoing basis]* in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.

...."And He [the Father] raised us up together with Him and made us sit down together [giving us joint seating with Him] in the heavenly sphere [by virtue of our being] in Christ Jesus [the Messiah, the Anointed One]".... Ephesians 2:6 The Amplified Translation

...."Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God".... Colossians 3:1-3 NASB