

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

May 6th

TRUE INTERCESSION

Words of prophecy:

* *The bearing of other's burdens [true intercession] in the midst of My people is one of the deepest expressions of My Love - and the fruit of this faith and love on the behalf of the "captives" in Zion will become evident very quickly in this hour. GREAT is the reward - both in this age, and in the ages to come - for those who have laid their lives down and even forsaken the pursuit of that which is part of their own destiny [and, thus, rightfully belongs to them] in order to elevate their brothers and sisters into the perfect liberty that is theirs, in Christ!*

...."When the LORD brought back the captive ones of Zion, We were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter And our tongue with joyful shouting; Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." The LORD has done great things for us; We are glad. Restore our captivity, O LORD, As the streams in the South. Those who sow in tears shall reap with joyful shouting. He who goes to and fro weeping, carrying his bag of seed, Shall indeed come again with a shout of joy, bringing his sheaves with him"....Psalms 126:1-6 NASB

I have experienced many strange things over the years when called to specific intercession - and it was a long time [a vast understatement] before I really understood this word from the Father below and applied it properly to my own life.

* *Never allow yourself to be overwhelmed by the thoughts and impressions you are experiencing when you have entered into intercession on the behalf of others. For that which you are experiencing does not represent your heart [which*

is already established through revelation] but, rather, the heart and mind of those you are standing in the gap for.

In the past I had a habit of taking things on "myself" in intercession but what I was "experiencing" was not me I was "picking up" what was affecting those I was praying for [*fear, pride, unworthiness, unbelief etc*]. When we are called to intercede it often appears or feels like the very thing we are interceding against is in "us". This is precisely why faithfulness [*the exercising of faith, love and obedience on our part*] in intercession not only helps the one we are praying for it helps to refine and purify our own hearts as we continue to bring EVERY thought captive to a perfect obedience in our own lives. At times, in intercession, we do not always know all that is going on BUT that is why the exercising of "faith" on our part is so important - as it takes us [*and keeps us*] "far above" the turmoil with our eyes "fixed" on Jesus. It is this continual exercising of faith, love and obedience in our own life that will surely accomplish the Father's desired goal in the lives of those we are interceding for.

...."Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ [which is the Law of Love]"....Galatians 6:2 NASB

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

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that through many years now You have raised us up an "interceding" people - a people who truly see the great value of laying our own lives down that others might be helped [*elevated*] into the fullness of all that is theirs, in Christ. And we declare it DONE [*on an ongoing basis*] in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.