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 IS THE "CURRENCY" OF THE KINGDOM

Words of prophecy:

* The pursuit, and exercising, of faith opens the door wide to the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in one's life. The "maintaining" of fear blinds one to both the spiritual realities of the Kingdom - and My Love [the ministry of the Holy Spirit].

...."But having the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I BELIEVED, THEREFORE I SPOKE," we also believe, therefore we also speak".... 2 Corinthians 4:13 NASB

...."[For I always pray to] the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, that He may grant you a spirit of wisdom and revelation [of insight into mysteries and secrets] in the [deep and intimate] knowledge of Him, by having the eyes of your heart flooded with light, so that you can know and understand the hope to which He has called you, and how rich is His glorious inheritance in the saints [His set-apart ones]".... Ephesians 1:17-18 The Amplified Translation

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

...."For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind".... 2 Timothy 1:7 KJV

"currency" - something that is used as a medium of exchange;

Faith is the "currency" of the Kingdom - and, thus, it is of the utmost importance for each and every child of God to be found pursuing the life of faith with EVERY fibre of their being [the alternative is the exercising of pride/fear and self-sufficiency]. It is by faith that we appropriate ALL that belongs to us in Christ - from the New Birth to the "fullness" of our "salvation" [precious inheritance in Christ] and all that that entails. It is by faith that we access the necessary Grace [divine empowerment] - day in and day out - to fulfill the fullness of our precious Kingdom-destiny.

It is also through the exercising of a steadfast [abiding] faith and trust on our part that causes the Love in our heart to flow to the Heart of the Father. It will not be hard to Love in Heaven at all but what an opportunity we have this side of Heaven to be found loving and honoring the Father and Jesus with ALL of our hearts through the continual exercising of faith and obedience - diligently resisting at every turn ALL that we have been redeemed from, through the precious Blood of Jesus [His "finished" work and the Power of His holy Name].

...."But the righteousness based on faith speaks as follows: "DO NOT SAY IN YOUR HEART, 'WHO WILL ASCEND INTO HEAVEN?' (that is, to bring Christ down), or 'WHO WILL DESCEND INTO THE ABYSS?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead)." But what does it say? "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR HEART" - that is, the word of faith which we are preaching, that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses [proclaims], resulting in [the fullness of] salvation [the activation of their Covenant, in Christ - deliverance, prosperity, etc.]. For the Scripture says, "WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED".... Romans 10:6-11 NASB

...."And Jesus answered saying to them, "Have faith in God". [lit. have the faith of God] "Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be [granted] him. Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe [based on the finished work of the Cross, the Word of God and the Blood Covenant] that you have [already] received them, and they will be [granted] you".... Mark 11:23-24 NASB

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a people of faith - a people who are continually found operating in *[and with]* the "currency" of faith in Your Kingdom. And we declare it DONE *[on an ongoing basis]* in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.