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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"TAKE NO THOUGHT, SAYING"

[Part 1 of 2]

THE CONNECTION BETWEEN "TAKING NO THOUGHT" AND "SAYING"

Words of prophecy:

* One speaking [giving voice to] whatever "thought" enters into their head or a word spoken based on [in alignment with] what they "feel" [see or hear from an "outside" source] - is a certain way for one to remain in bondage to "strongholds" of fear and unbelief - as well as suffer continual defeat at the hands of the Enemy.

...."Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and they who indulge in it shall eat the fruit of it [for death or life] [Matt. 12:37]".... Proverbs 18:21 The Amplified Translation

THEREFORE

...."We are [continually] destroying speculations [worry, anxiety, reasonings, feelings etc.] 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

.... "Therefore I say unto you, TAKE NO THOUGHT for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not

the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?".... Matthew 6:25 KJV

.... "Therefore TAKE NO THOUGHT, SAYING, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?".... Matthew 6:31 KJV

.... "Take therefore no thought FOR THE MORROW".... Matthew 6:34 KJV

The above portions of scripture are taken from a well known discourse of Jesus in Matthew 6. In these portions of scripture a number of very important Kingdom-principles are clearly uncovered. Of course, Jesus is proclaiming the faithfulness of the Heavenly Father to meet His children's needs and that is of the utmost importance for one to have a deep and abiding revelation of *[the Father's trustworthiness]*. But, also, He spoke words that clearly define just how we are to "rise above" the lying, fear-filled tactics of the Enemy by showing us the connection between "taking NO thought" and "saying".

One of the most important principles found in Paul's writings [2 Corinthians 10:5] is the need for each and every one of God's children to be found "bringing EVERY thought captive" BY continually speaking words that are in perfect alignment with a revelation of the Father's Will/Word [and who we are IN Christ]. It is in the "mind" [and through the tongue] wherein the victory is won or lost - for it is ONLY the exercising of faith and obedience [diligence] in the aforementioned revelation ["bringing EVERY thought captive"] that will empower the child of God to "overcome" on every front.

...."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

....this is the victory that has overcome the world - our faith".... 1 John 5:4 NASB

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a people who absolutely refuse to take *[give voice to]* **ANY** of the Enemy's lying and fear-filled thoughts - choosing, rather, to speak and act upon that which proceeds from a revelation of Your Will/Word rising up in our hearts. And we declare it *[on an ongoing basis]* DONE in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.