

REFLECTIONS OF THE FATHER'S HEART

[Exhortations From The Father]

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* The danger of one falling into a spirit of self-righteousness [*a self-exaltive spirit*] is amplified as one gains more and more knowledge [*revelation*]. This is precisely why there is a command to continually guard one's heart [*spirit*] with ALL diligence.

.... "*He who speaks from himself seeks his own glory; but He who is seeking the glory of the One who sent Him, He is true, and there is no unrighteousness in Him*".... John 7:18 NASB

.... "*[mere {natural}] knowledge causes people to be puffed up (to bear themselves loftily and be proud), but [revelation - born of] love (affection and goodwill and benevolence) edifies and builds up and encourages one to grow [to his full stature {in Christ}]*".... 1 Corinthians 8:1 The Amplified Translation

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.... "*Watch over your heart [spirit] with all diligence, for from it flow the springs of life [the forces of the Kingdom {Grace, Faith, Love, Truth, Righteousness and Wisdom}]*".... Proverbs 4:23-24 NASB

"**diligence**" - constant and earnest effort to accomplish what is undertaken;

.... "*He [Jesus] began saying to His disciples first of all, 'Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy [self-righteousness]. But there is nothing covered up that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known'*".... Luke 12:1a-2 NASB