

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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MINISTERING THE WORDS OF LIFE AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

Words of prophecy:

If one operates in "soul ministry" [soulical ministry] then failure is inevitable [failure to set the captives free - and failure to enter into perfect liberty themselves]. However "appealing" [attractive] the soul ministry might be "outwardly" it possesses NO regenerative [life-giving] force.

When one ministers in and by My Spirit [Who is the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, the Spirit of Love etc.] then spiritual life and light is its spontaneous and certain fruit. But, should one "minister" in the power of their "own" understanding and strength THEN that which they minister simply turns into a natural reasoning [based on sense knowledge and perception] - the spontaneous fruit of which is an ongoing "mental ascension" to My Word.

"reason" - seeks to explain or justify an action by citing facts, circumstances, together with the workings of the mind on them; a motive or cause for an action, belief, thought etc. justification;

"reasoning" - the "mental process" of drawing conclusions from known or presumed facts;

"sense knowledge" - that which is perceived by what one feels, hears, sees or thinks based on their outward circumstances; that which is perceived [and expressed] through the soul [mind, will, emotions] - apart from "revelation" [the Holy Spirit - Who is the Spirit of wisdom and revelation];

"mental ascension" - the reaching out ["up"] to understand the Word [Will] of

God in one's "own" *[soulish]* strength and understanding *[intellect]*;

It must be clearly understood by each and every one of God's children that ALL that is "ministered" in the power of the soul *[soulically]* will only strengthen the appetite of the one being "ministered" to for more of such "feeling" and "reasoning" - thus drawing them to the one who supplies such needs *["soul ministers"]*.

When one compromises the Word of God by "lowering themselves" to conform in ANY way to the elemental principles *[operations]* of the world THEN not only do those they "minister" to remain in darkness but they *[the minister]*, themselves, are plunged into an ever deepening darkness *[deception]* .

Let those who would minister be found ministering the words of Life and Righteousness - for the spontaneous fruit of this will SURELY empower the hearer to experience an ongoing hungering and thirsting after Righteousness *[the fullness of their true Identity in Christ]* .

...."It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh [sense-knowledge and perception] profits nothing; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life"..... John 6:63 NASB

...."Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you]".... Romans 12:2 The Amplified Translation

...."Beware of anyone getting hold of you by means of a theosophy which is "specious" [made] on the lines of human tradition, corresponding to the elemental spirits of the world and not to Christ".... Colossians 2:8 The Moffat Translation

"specious" - apparently good or right, but actually not so; pleasing or attractive in appearance, but deceptive;

...."There is a way which seems right[eous] to a man, but its end is the way of death".... Proverbs 14:12 NASB

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up true "Kingdom-ministers" - those who refuse to settle for anything less than the absolute Truth of Your Word going forth in the fullness of conviction [*the power of the Holy Spirit*]. And we declare it DONE in our lives [*on an ongoing basis*] in the Name of Jesus - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.