

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

July 4th

"DELIGHT YOURSELF IN THE LORD"

Words of prophecy:

* *As one is faithful to exercise a steadfast faith and trust in Me THEN it is certain that they will enter into the "lightness of faith" - a place that is both filled with a flood of revelation knowledge and the fullness of the fruit of "divine rest" [perfect liberty].*

*...."Be still, [in a certain and steadfast trust] and know that I [am] God"....
Psalms 46:10 NASB*

"If because of the sabbath [rest], you turn your foot from doing your OWN pleasure on My holy day, and call the sabbath a delight, the holy day of the LORD honorable, and honor it, desisting from your OWN ways, from seeking your OWN pleasure and speaking your OWN word, THEN you will take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride on the heights of the earth [Ephesians 2:6]".... Isaiah 58:13-14a NASB

...."THE LORD is my Light and my Salvation - whom shall I fear or dread? The Lord is the Refuge and Stronghold of my life - of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. Though a host encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, [even then] in this will I be confident. One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek, inquire for, and [insistently] require: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord [in His Presence] all the days of my life, to behold and gaze upon the beauty [the sweet attractiveness and the delightful loveliness] of the Lord and to meditate, consider, and inquire in His temple"....

Psalms 27:1-4 The Amplified Translation

"delight" - to take great pleasure in;

It is the Father's deepest heart-desire for His children to enter into this place of intimacy and trust in Him - for it is from this place of intimacy and trust that we come to "delight" in the things of God above ALL else. One of the spontaneous fruit of one dwelling in a place of extreme closeness to the Father and His Word is that IT IS THEN that He is enabled to transfer the desires of His heart to our heart - thus bringing into reality in our lives what Jesus spoke in John 15:7:

...."If you abide [dwell] in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish [desire], and it will be done for you".... John 15:7 NASB

Intimacy with the Father and His Word produces godly desire in one's heart while lack of intimacy [*the fruit of that lack being a certain hardness of heart*] fuels self-desire - and the self agenda that is its spontaneous fruit. It is as we cultivate "faithfulness" [*through obedience*] day in and day out in EVERY aspect of our life and ministry [*from the position of having both of our feet firmly planted in the Kingdom*] that allows the Father to show Himself strong on our behalf - as well as release the fullness of the Covenant-blessings that are "rightfully" ours, in Christ.

...."Trust in the LORD and do good; Dwell in the land and cultivate faithfulness. Delight yourself in the LORD; And He will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD, trust also in Him, and He will do it".... Psalms 37:3-5 NASB

...."For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand [outside.] I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD gives grace and glory; No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly. O LORD of hosts, how blessed is the man/woman who trusts in You!".... Psalms 84:10-12 NASB

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You, in Your great Love, have drawn us very close to You in this most critical and glorious hour. We proclaim

that we are a people who truly delight in You and Your ways above ALL else.
And we declare it DONE [*on an ongoing basis*] in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest
Glory. Amen.