

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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A CONTINUAL DRAWING NEAR TO "THE SPIRIT OF THE CROSS"

Words of prophecy:

* *Many of My children "fear" the life of the Cross [self-denial; obedience unto the death of the soul-life {psuche}] and, thus, they "bypass" it - seeking to walk in resurrection-life [and the blessings therein] apart from laying their lives down "entirely" [completely]. But truly I say to you, without a continual drawing near to the "Spirit of the Cross" [thus allowing Him to do the continually deeper work of the Cross within them] they shall never find what they are looking for - nor shall they be prepared [fit] to enter into their true Kingdom-position and destiny in this final hour.*

...."Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me'.... Matthew 16:24 NASB

...."Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be [will not be found fit to be] My disciple".... Luke 14:27 NASB

...."For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God".... 1 Corinthians 1:18 NASB

...."But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith, that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the

fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead".... Philippians 3:7-11 NASB

In the same way that faith, love and obedience are "inseparable" in the Kingdom so, too, are the Cross, the Resurrection and the Ascension [*the place wherein one "abides" in the fullness of their authority in Christ*] inseparable in one walking out the "fullness" of their precious Kingdom-position and destiny, in Christ.

.... "If you [really] love Me, you will keep [obey] My commands".... John 14:15 The Amplified Translation

"inseparable" - incapable of being separated, parted or disjoined;

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a people who do not fear the life of the Cross but, rather, we proclaim that we are a people who "embrace" it with all of our hearts - knowing that the fruit of the life of self-denial opens the door for the fullness of Your Love to be released in us and through us [*continually*]. And we declare all of these things DONE [*on an ongoing basis*] in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.

.... "For we who live are constantly being delivered over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death works in us, but life in you".... 2 Corinthians 4:11-12 NASB