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

April 25th

ONE MUST COME TO KNOW THE WORK OF THE CROSS EXPERIENTIALLY

Words of prophecy:

* It is of the utmost importance for My children to keep their eyes "fixed" [focussed] on My Word - the spontaneous fruit of this being to meditate upon it day and night [and, thus, bring EVERY thought captive to a revelation of it in the process]. The Enemy has sent many "spirits of distraction" ["hindering spirits"] forth in this hour to derail as many as he possibly can from the narrow path of true Kingdom-living - and, thus, entrance into the fullness of their precious destiny in Christ. Therefore, let all those who truly love Me be found giving My Word preeminence in this hour - maintaining a "single eye" on EVERY front in their diligent pursuit of the "eternal reality" of My Kingdom.

...."Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty [emancipation from bondage, freedom] [Isa. 61:1, 2]. And all of us, as with unveiled face, [because we] continued to behold [in the Word of God] as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are constantly being transfigured into His very own image in ever increasing splendor and from one degree of glory to another; [for this comes] from the Lord [Who is] the Spirit".... 2 Corinthians 3:17-18 The Amplifed Translation

...."But be doers of the Word [obey the message], and not merely listeners to it, betraying yourselves [into deception by reasoning contrary to the Truth]. For if anyone only listens to the Word without obeying it and being a doer of it, he is like a man who looks carefully at his [own] natural face in a mirror; For he thoughtfully observes himself, and then goes off and promptly forgets what he was

like. But he who looks carefully into the faultless law, the [law] of liberty, and is faithful to it and perseveres in looking into it, being not a heedless listener who forgets but an active doer [who obeys], he shall be blessed in his doing [his life of obedience]".... James 1:22-25 The Amplified Translation

...."Your eye is the lamp of your body; when your eye [your conscience] is sound and fulfilling its office, your whole body is full of light; but when it is not sound and is not fulfilling its office, your body is full of darkness. Be careful, therefore, that the light that is in you is not darkness. If then your entire body is illuminated, having no part dark, it will be wholly bright [with light], as when a lamp with its bright rays gives you light".... Luke 11:34-36 The Amplified Translation

One must come to "know" the work of the Cross "experientially" [gain a deep "revelation" of the spiritual reality of the Cross in their own experience] BEFORE they can enter into the place of abiding in "resurrection power" and the "fullness" of their authority [the Ascension life - Ephesians 2:6], in Christ - and the true Kingdom-living that is its spontaneous fruit.

...."For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot perform it. [I have the intention and urge to do what is right, but no power to carry it out]".... Romans 7:18 The Amplified Translation

...."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. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it".....

Matthew 16:24-25 NASB

...."I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the [life] which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me".... Galatians 2:20 NASB

...."Therefore if any person is [ingrafted] in Christ (the Messiah) he is a new creation (a new creature altogether); the old [previous moral and spiritual condition] has passed away. Behold, the fresh and new has come!".... 2
Corinthians 5:17 The Amplified Translation

...."And when I came to you, brethren, I did not come with superiority of

speech or of wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God. For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. I was with you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling, and my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God".... 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 NASB

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a Kingdom people - those who are truly seeking You with ALL of our hearts on an ongoing basis. We thank You and praise You that in the power of Your Spirit You are continually doing the deepest work of the Cross in us - a precious and thorough work that empowers us to walk in the fullness of resurrection Power and the fullness of our authority in Christ. And we declare all of these things DONE, in Jesus' Name! Amen.