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

January 3rd

THE LIFE OF THE CROSS

Words of prophecy:

* In this most critical and glorious hour, there shall be a "certain empowerment" [in and by My Spirit] for all those who have made the heart-decision to live the life of the Cross [obedience unto the denial of the self-life], and from this position of "death" shall come forth a great release of resurrection power - and the "ascension life" [entrance into the fullness of authority - raised up with Christ] that is its spontaneous by-product. And so shall my faithful and obedient ones [surely] begin to walk in the fullness of the authority that is theirs in Christ, - and so shall the world be both shaken, and the darkened mind-sets of men be overturned wherever they walk. For truly I say to you, I am taking My Love to the highways and bi-ways and the hidden places of fear through a holy people [remnant] - even unto the deepest strongholds of darkness. And truly I say to you, eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things that I have prepared in this most glorious hour for all those that truly love Me.

...."And He [the Father] raised us up together with Him and made us sit down together [giving us joint seating with Him] in the heavenly sphere [by virtue of our being] in Christ Jesus [the Messiah, the Anointed One]".... Ephesians 2:6 The Amplified Translation

It is the life of the Cross [obedience unto the denial of the "self-life"] that both prepares and leads one into the "fullness" of who they are in Christ - and the life of the Cross alone. Without the continually deeper work of the Cross in their lives [a work which is done by the Holy Spirit], people will continue to seek the

"outward things" and "signs" first and that will preclude them from partaking of the resurrection power and the fullness of their authority [the ascension life], in Christ [which can only be appropriated {accessed} through faith]. When one sets themselves to walk by faith then "natural sight" only becomes a distraction and, if held to, a diversion from the narrow path of faith, love and obedience.

...."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

...."we consider and look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are visible are temporal (brief and fleeting), but the things that are invisible are deathless and everlasting".... 2 Corinthians 4:18 The Amplified Translation

...."for we walk by faith [in a revelation of God's Word {Will}], not by sight".... 2 Corinthians 5:7 NASB

...."But the natural, nonspiritual man does not accept or welcome or admit into his heart the gifts and teachings and revelations of the Spirit of God, for they are folly [meaningless nonsense] to him; and he is incapable of knowing them [of progressively recognizing, understanding, and becoming better acquainted with them] because they are spiritually discerned and estimated and appreciated. But the spiritual man tries all things [he examines, investigates, inquires into, questions, and discerns all things], yet is himself to be put on trial and judged by no one [he can read the meaning of everything, but no one can properly discern or appraise or get an insight into him]".... 1 Corinthians 2:14-15 The Amplified Translation

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You for the amazing work of the Cross that is being continually done in us *[in and by the power of Your Spirit]* - a work that is preparing us perfectly to both walk in and fulfil our precious Kingdom-destiny in Christ, as your true *[faithful]* sons and daughters. And we declare it DONE *[on an ongoing basis]* in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.