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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RISING ABOVE THE "SENSE REALM"

Words of prophecy:

* Natural hope is born out of a dependency upon people and things. Supernatural hope is born of a "revelation" of My Will [Word]. When Abraham was standing on My promise [Issaac] he had no "natural hope" to cling to for he was [as well as Sarah] well past any natural ability to bring the promise to pass. So he "hoped [with a supernatural hope and faith] against hope" [hope based on physical circumstances and abilities] - and so it is in this hour as I call My people to an absolute faith and trust in My ability, wisdom and power, alone. Truly I say to you, the greatest exploits of this final hour will be the spontaneous fruit of a people who have learned to walk above the "sense realm" [soulish realm] - a holy people who have come to the place of "abiding" [dwelling] in the supernatural with no dependence whatsoever on anything other than My Word [a revelation of My Will] and My Spirit.

...."Now faith is the assurance [the confirmation, the title deed] of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality **[faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses]**".... Hebrews 11:1 The Amplified Translation

...."Therefore, **[inheriting] the promise is the outcome of faith and depends [entirely] on faith**, in order that it might be given as **an act of grace** (unmerited favor), to make it stable and valid and guaranteed to all his descendants - not only to the devotees and adherents of the Law, but also to those who share the faith of Abraham, who is [thus] the father of us all. As it is written, I have made you the father of many nations. [He was appointed our father] in the sight of God in Whom he believed, Who gives life to the dead and speaks of the nonexistent things that [He has foretold and promised] as if they [already] existed. [Gen. 17:5.] [For Abraham, human reason for] hope being gone, hoped in faith that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been promised, so [numberless] shall your descendants be. [Gen. 15:5.] He did not weaken in faith when he considered the [utter] impotence of his own body, which was as good as dead because he was about a hundred years old, or [when he considered] the barrenness of Sarah's [deadened] womb. [Gen. 17:17; 18:11.] No unbelief or distrust made him waver [doubtingly question] concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong and was empowered by faith as he gave praise and glory to God, fully satisfied and assured that God was able and mighty to keep His word and to do what He had promised".... Romans 4:16-21 The Amplified Translation

Rising above the "sense realm" - our five physical senses NO LONGER being the final authority in our lives - into the "high life" *[a life wholly empowered by the Holy Spirit]* is one of the beautiful fruit of the perfect liberty that is ours in Christ. It is from this position that all of the various Covenant-blessings flow - not the least of which includes true relationship on every level.

...."for we walk by faith [trust in God and His Word], not by sight [that which is seen in the natural]".... 2 Corinthians 5:7 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

...."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 Amplified Translation

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a people of faith - a people who are NO LONGER in bondage to the "sense realm" and the

schemes of the Enemy that he attempts to work through that sphere. And we declare all of these things DONE *[on an ongoing basis]* in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.

...."These are the ones who are beside the road where the word is sown; and when they hear, immediately Satan comes and takes away the word which has been sown in them. "In a similar way these are the ones on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy; and they have no firm root in themselves, but are only temporary; then, when **affliction** or **persecution** arises because of the word, immediately they fall away. "And others are the ones on whom seed was sown among the thorns; these are the ones who have heard the word, but **the worries of the world**, and the **deceitfulness of riches**, and **the desires for other things** [that are apart from God's Will] enter in and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful".... Mark 4:15-19 NASB