

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

May 31st

OVERCOMING THE "FEAR OF MAN"

Words of prophecy:

* *Many have not yet completely forsaken the "fear of man" to go on into the deeper things of the Kingdom. It must be clearly understood by each and every one of My children that it is ONLY a deep and continual reverence [a true love] of Me [and, therefore, My Will {Word}] that can empower one to continually overcome in this area.*

...."For am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God? Or am I striving to please men? If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a bond-servant of Christ".... Galatians 1:10 NASB

Potentially "allowing" the "fear of man" to creep into our walk is an ongoing thing for all of us, as children of God - and it must be guarded against each day, with ALL diligence. The key to constantly overcoming in this area is for one to gain a deep and abiding revelation of the Love of the Father. Once one gets a personal revelation of HIS approval and HIS acceptance of them THEN the importance of what people "think" [*usually with a lot of help from the Enemy*] diminishes greatly. When one draws near to the Father and Jesus it is certain that one of the fruit of that time with Them in the "inner chamber" is a proper focus and discernment concerning all those who cross our path - and, rather than worrying about what people may think of us or say about us, we can be found concentrating on loving them with the Love of the Father abiding within our heart.

...."A man's pride will bring him low, but a humble spirit will obtain honor".... The fear of man brings a snare, but he who trusts in the LORD will be

exalted".... Proverbs 29:23, 25 NASB

Prayer of Proclamation:

"folly" - the state or quality of being foolish; a foolish action; a costly and foolish undertaking;

"establish" - to make secure or permanent;

Father, we thank You and praise You that as a continually deeper revelation of Your great Love for us is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, we come to a deep realization that holding to the "fear of man" in ANY of its forms is "folly" - and also a very dangerous trap to divert our attention from You and Your Kingdom to the "things below". We thank You and praise You that, with each passing day, our hearts are "established" in Your Word to a greater degree - producing a continually deeper reverence for You [*Your Will/Word*], and ALL that You are. And we declare it DONE [*on an ongoing basis*] in Jesus' Name - to Your greatest Glory. Amen.

...."Establish Your word to Your servant, as that which produces reverence for You".... Psalms 119:38 NASB

*...."Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind [*thoughts, intellect*] on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God".... Colossians 3:1-3 NASB*