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## VESSELS OF LIGHT, VESSELS OF HONOR

Ms. Chris Taylor

I saw a Man's hands, hollowing out a pumpkin. He was removing the seeds and scraping away the loose, fleshy interior. I "knew" the pumpkin was being prepared to hold a candle and to shine a *light*.

The seedy portion, though messy, responded to the cleansing work and was removed relatively easily. It was more difficult though, as the work continued with the deeper portions. There, the scraping was causing much pain, like an injury where the top layer of skin is removed.

The Lord spoke: "Every unfair experience that burns and sears you within...every cruel word that wounds and leaves you hollow inside...every betrayal that deepens the cavern of your emptiness...*only serves to draw me closer to you as you yield to me in the difficulty.*

"As I scrape away the flesh and all that would interfere, I am making you vessels fit for the use of the King. If I did not cleanse in this way before I came to use you, all that is left of the flesh would spoil in the warmth of My light and presence; and a stench would rise from you that would mar the impression I come to give.

"For I send you into a hurting world, to those who have been so deeply wounded that only a *pure* word will reach them. **Be not troubled over-much by this. Just know that I would choose to pour forth from you clean water and fresh oil without contamination...**for it is time for My servants and handmaids to go forth as My mouthpieces, and the precious *must* be separated from the vile, for the work to be fruitful.

**"Let all be as I choose. Endure hardness. Accept difficulty. Yield to the refining process.** For I bow, stoop, condescend, and humble Myself to work within you to make a vessel fit for a King. **Let My work continue unhindered,** lest the vessel be marred in My hands.

**"Marvel not that I accept the sacrifices that you bring when you offer yourselves.** There is much work to be done, and few laborers are

refined sufficiently to be trusted with some of the most sensitive tasks.

**"Let My first fruits come forth. Allow the pressing and the sifting. Allow the threshing and the winnowing,** for it is I working in you to will and to do of My good pleasure.

**"Let Me make of you VESSELS OF HONOR.** This is the joy I set before you, if you endure the cross of affliction that I send for your processing." (end of prophecy)

This was shared with me recently and seems to fit with my vision. It is called: "The Pumpkin." A lady, after recently being saved, was asked by a co-worker what it was like to be a Christian. She replied, "It's like being a pumpkin: God picks you from the patch, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off that you may have gotten from the other pumpkins.

Then He cuts the top off and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc. Then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside of you to shine for all the world to see."

## THE SONG OF THE BRIDE

### Part 5

Elaine Cook

**Song of Solomon 2:10 "My Beloved spake, and said unto me, rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away."** The Lord is calling His Bride to shake off every touch of slumber, to put away all indolence and all vain confidence in her past experiences. She may have, in the past, had great prophetic words in which she is trusting, but the call of the Bridegroom is for her to take up her cross daily and follow on to *know Him*.

It is when we first hear His Voice that we must respond by rising up and coming away to meet Him where He abides in Spirit. God does not stand still. He is ever moving on. If we delay, His Voice will grow fainter so that when we do arise to go to Him, we may not find Him right away, for He has moved on. Every drawing upon our heart is the voice of Jesus calling us to "*rise up and come away.*" It is easier to settle down and rest upon

past experiences or words we have had, than to run harder, that we may enter into a higher realm.

There is a time for abiding and there is a time for arising and we need to be sensitive and obedient to obey the Voice of the Lord in each time. Remember when it was time for the children of Israel to enter the Promised Land? They were fearful at the negative report of the spies and chose to believe their evil report than to believe the Voice of the Lord who promised to give them the victory. They refused to “*arise and come away*” from their unbelief and from their fear, so they turned on Moses and purposed to return to Egypt. When God spoke to Moses, telling them what the result of their rebellion would be, they had a change of mind and decided to go up the very next day.

They went not up in *obedience*, but in *presumption*, and the Lord was not with them. They were defeated by their enemies. They had not heeded the Lord’s call to “*arise and come away*” so it was evident that they needed a further time of processing in the wilderness, which was what the Lord gave them—forty years of it!

**2:11,12 “For lo, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing (of birds) is come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.”**

There are several levels at which this verse may be understood. One is that it is a picture of the soul who is dead in unbelief, whose life is bleak and cold like midwinter. It is the rain that comes when winter begins to break up that prepares the ground for the seed. It is conviction and repentance that prepare a man to receive Jesus Christ, but they do not save a man—they just break up the soil. When the breaking-up comes, the rays of the sun begin to fall upon the winter of death and unbelief, the rains and mists of doubts and fears begin to roll away and the warmth of the “Sun of righteousness” brings light and warmth to the soul.

On another level, it is the “winter” of the harsh dealings of the wilderness that are sent “to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep His commandments, or no.” (Deut. 8:2) Sometimes we feel that this “winter” will never cease, but when the work has been done, we will feel the balmy spring breezes blowing upon us with the promise of

spring—with summer (the highest time of light, warmth, and blessing) not far behind.

Then shall we discover that we are no longer barren and unfruitful. Flowers of His beauty are appearing in our “earth.” And, the flowers foretell of fruit that shall come forth. The warmth of grace woos the buds to burst forth into flowers, which give place to the tiny fruit, and the immature fruit goes on unto perfection.

“*The time of the singing of birds*” is historically a figure of Christ’s coming that heralded the springing into life of that which was dead through the fall of man. It is also symbolic of the music that should fill the heart of every believer, for the Lord has put a new song in our mouths. This is also translated “*The time of the pruning of the vines is come.*” This is also a time of pruning so that when the Master comes, He shall find fruit and not leaves only. The Husbandman never prunes a dead branch. Heb. 12:8 says that if we are without chastening, we are not sons, but bastards. The vine is pruned that the branches may bear more fruit, for herein is our Father glorified, that we bear *much* fruit.

The word “of birds” has been inserted by the translators, so it should read, “*the time of the singing is come.*” Oh yes, when we see His nature beginning to show forth within us and see that obedience to Him has been inworked in us during the cold hard winter, we have reason to sing. Our trials and suffering have not been in vain, but have accomplished His purposes and a good work has been wrought in us. Perhaps we are not even aware of it, for the pain of our processing may still be upon us, but others will see that “we have been with Jesus” and the smell of His anointing oils are upon us. It is time to sing!

“*The voice of the turtledove*” is an emblem of peace, and we know that John the Baptist came as a fore-runner of the One who is our Peace, even the Heavenly Solomon, the Prince of Peace. The turtledove is also an emblem of love, and of the Holy Spirit, and he is the first of the birds to return in the springtime as John the Baptist was the first to proclaim the approach of the Spring of grace, the Summer of God’s presence, the dispensation of the grace of God.

In Jeremiah, God uses the turtle dove to reprove His people because the dove knows the time of His coming, but God’s people know not the law of Jehovah.

The dove is also an emblem of repentance and of the Holy Spirit. John was filled with the Holy Spirit from his mother's womb, and came preaching repentance. The sound of the dove went forth in the land at the time our Lord was upon the earth, and is still going forth by the Spirit. Jesus would have us sing as He prunes in our vineyard, stripping us that we might bear much fruit.

I am very much aware that the winter has past away for many and they are entering into a blessed time of fruitfulness. I wish you could read our mail! It used to be that people would ask, "What is the Lord saying to you?" but now they are sharing what the Lord is saying to them! Years ago we had few contributions to share from the Body whereas now we have many more than we can use. Surely, the voice of the turtledove is being heard in our land!

#### **ZARAH & PHAREZ Terry Crisp**

(We feel to share another portion of Terry's history of Sonship which traces the differences between Sonship and New Age beliefs. Elaine)

**A Difference May Be Seen in the Basic Declarations:** The message of Pharez begins by declaring, "*You must look within.*" The message of Zarah declares, "*You must be born again!*" New Age urges its listeners, "*Acknowledge the Christ within as your higher self, and accept the fact that there is no sin*"; Sonship says, "*Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost!*" Why is this so different? Because, while Zarah emphasizes an initiating point where Christ actually enters into an individual's heart, Pharez assumes that He's been there all along. This leads to a whole string of misconceptions.

According to *A Course in Miracles*, "*To believe in the God in everyone is the ultimate religion.*" One of the primary problems arising from this error is this: Whenever an unregenerated man is instructed to turn his attention inward, and to believe that whatever (or whoever) he finds therein is the Christ, a great wrong has been perpetrated. You see, until the Spirit of Christ enters into his heart by faith, there is only one man in the temple. That man is the old man, Adam, the one into whom all men are naturally born. Jesus taught His disciples, "*If a man love Me, he will keep My words: and My Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with*

*him...Howbeit when He, the Spirit of Truth is come, He will guide you into all truth*" (Jn. 14:23; 16:13). Notice that He didn't say that all they needed to do was to awaken to His already indwelling presence. He told them, "...*I will come to you*" (Jn. 14:18; this, of course, was in reference to His coming to dwell in them on the Day of Pentecost).

Does it not stand to reason, then, that whenever an individual who has never had the experience of the coming of the Lord goes knocking on the door of his own unconverted heart, the only one who will answer that door will be the man of sin, who sits in the temple of God, and who loves to show himself to be God (II Thess. 2:4)? Even a child should understand this. Therefore, to teach men that they should seek "the Christ" that is already within them is to introduce them to the spirit of antichrist (meaning, that which is "other than Christ"), and to assist old Adam in his grand masquerade. (Goodseed Publications, 672 Goodman Rd., Dawson, GA 31742 U. S. A. E mail = [TCrisp4448@aol.com](mailto:TCrisp4448@aol.com))

#### **FROM MY PRAYER TIMES Elaine**

**1—Thy Exceeding Great Reward:** "I am thy exceeding great reward. Some men labor for houses and lands, others labor for riches, still others do all for recognition, but I have a people, a separated people, who simply long to be as I am, to be like Me in all of their ways, to be like the image that was lost in the first Adam.

"It is time for this longing and desire to be fulfilled in my Own who esteem Me more than anything else. These shall find their inheritance in the land of the living, for their inheritance shall be *all that I am in them.*

"Man has not even thought to *imagine* such a thing as I am now bringing forth, for it has never been seen or heard of in the earth before this time. Comfort your hearts to know that it is My good pleasure to manifest My nature in a people who have longed after Me. This is the joy that I beheld from the cross and even now I experience great joy at the *actuality* of that which is coming forth in answer to all that I gave on the cross."

**2. Return to Your First Love:** Recently, a friend sent us a writing called "**Shiraz Meets Jesus.**" It is a most amazing account of the Lord revealing Himself to a Moslem businessman in England in 1995. The man turned on the TV to hear the news at night and on the TV—all night long, was a

dramatic portrayal of Christ's passion from the Garden of Gethsemane to the resurrection. Needless to say, his life was never the same again. We felt we should make it into booklet form of 81 pages and share it with our reading family. Please feel free to ask us for it.

I was very touched upon reading it and more so when I typed it out. I found my heart was being all "broken up" and I felt like wailing! It was then that the Lord spoke to me, "Return to your first love. Let Him be your only focus—not what you are, or shall be, or what you shall *do*, or *receive*, or *enter into*—only Jesus, your first love, is to be the focus. All other things come forth from that focus (as night follows day, it cannot be otherwise!)"

I felt He was breaking up every hard place in my heart that I've been unaware of and making it clean for His dwelling place in fullness. It is part of the Bride's preparation with oil of myrrh, to enter into the realization of His suffering, and the heart attitude He kept throughout it all.

**3. A Report from Scotland:** The Lord watched over me on my trip alone to Scotland. I had one meeting with "Women's Aglow" but I was sent with specific directions to eight people that I should establish them in the word of the kingdom so that they would be able to teach others also. I didn't know that would mean sharing the restoration of all with them, but the Lord pressed me to do so. One reaction was, "What a relief!" Other reactions varied, but the Lord honored the ones who had grace to pray about it by giving them a verse to confirm the word given to them. The greatest thing He did was to open up their spiritual understanding to what I had to share. One morning, my friend Rosalie awoke with this song on her heart. What a confirmation!

*An army of ordinary people,  
A kingdom where love is the key.  
A city, a light to the nations,  
Heirs to the promise are we.  
A people whose life is in Jesus,  
A nation together we stand.  
Only through grace are we worthy,  
Inheritors of the land.*

*Chorus: A new day is dawning,  
A new age to come,  
When the children of promise  
Shall flow together as one:  
A truth long neglected,  
But the time has now come,*

*When the children of promise  
Shall flow together as one.*

*A people without recognition,  
But with Him a destiny sealed,  
Called to a heavenly vision:  
His purpose shall be fulfilled.  
Come, let us stand strong together,  
Abandon ourselves to the king,  
His love shall be ours for ever.  
This victory song we shall sing.*

**4. The War:** We do not feel to talk much about the war because that is not our calling, but we will tell you that we have printed 50 copies of David Wilkerson's message. It is called "**The Towers Have Fallen—But We Have Missed the Message.**" In our view, it is the most truthful and balanced message that we have seen. Further, the Lord warned them of a calamity six weeks prior to the disaster so they cancelled any extra meetings and prayed four nights a week. I encourage you to ask for his sermon. It is full of spirit instruction.

**5. The Potter's House:** We also have made some copies of a writing that was sent to us about the processes that await one in the Potter's House. It is only three double pages—a good handout. Please feel free to ask for it.

## THE BEGINNING . . . .

Rosemary Garzon

"**This is the beginning!**" were the words that reverberated throughout my being all day Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>. In one sense, it is the "beginning of the end" of the systems and governments of this world—Babylon in its fullness. They all must come to an end, so that the scripture might be fulfilled: "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and **He** shall reign for ever and ever."

Along with these words, the Lord quickened Rev. chapter 18 concerning the fall of Babylon. All of the "key words" fit into what happened. We have the fall, the fire and the smoke, one-hour judgment, merchants weeping—the World Trade Center, yet this is only the beginning of Babylon's fall. These key words identify that this is truly God's official *timetable* in effect.

First and foremost for us, it is the *beginning of God's plan to bring forth His firstborn body of sons*. These acts of the destruction of world systems and the establishing of His Kingdom on earth are running simultaneously. We have always

seen the clouds of destruction and the Clouds of his Glory coming forth at the same time.

There are those declaring that this is not God's judgment on America. In saying this, they reveal that they *do not know God's ways*; for all of His Ways and His Judgments are righteous. All things are done by Him to "set things right and in order." Psa. 145:17 says, "The Lord is *righteous in all his ways*, and holy in all his works." The evil one is but an instrument in God's hand to fulfill His purposes in the earth. We know God raised up Pharaoh and hardened his heart against the children of Israel; *yet* He destroyed him for his evil acts against Israel. This appears to be a paradox; but again, *this is one of His ways*.

The nation as a whole, in their fear, has turned to God, asking Him to bless America and to give us victory. It is good to see a return toward the Lord, but there is no change visible in the ways or the laws of the nation. The blood of millions of aborted babies still stains the very soul of America. There is no repentance or action to change this continual slaughter.

America was established as a Christian nation, which means "a follower of Jesus Christ." Now most schools prohibit His Name, Jesus, being used in any shape or form as it might offend a Moslem, or a Jew, or a Buddhist. These other religions are given preference over the Christian faith. The past 50 years has seen a continual progression toward eradicating God and His Son, Jesus Christ, from the eyes and ears of the people—especially the children. The Judicial System has replaced Justice with stupidity. There is no righteous judgment in the land today. The words of original laws of the land and the Constitution have been so twisted that the guilty appear innocent, and they are given rights above and beyond the victims. In the media there is a spirit of mockery pertaining to God and His holiness.

Many "idols" have replaced Him—idols of self-worship. America, which was established upon His principles, has now become ripe for judgment. When the nation falls to its knees in true repentance, the Lord will send for His Army to attain victory. In the meanwhile, we battle the "spiritual wickedness in high places" from whence cometh all this evil. These principalities and powers shall be removed from their places of rulership over the earth. In Luke 21, Jesus speaks of things coming upon the earth. Vs. 26, "Men's hearts failing them *for fear* (the terrorists are gen-

erating fear in the hearts of the people—RG), and for looking after those things coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. ***And then*** shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads: ***for your redemption draweth nigh!***"

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### **"Blessed are the...for they shall "see" God"**

Bill Cook

I am only quoting this particular verse in Mt.15 that you may consider the part that is underlined. I believe it is common knowledge today that to "see" God does not mean that you see Him with your two eyes, but rather that you behold the God of Gods, El Elyon, in all the circumstances of your life; that way you can trust him to iron out the upsets, the down sittings, the personal hangups.

Can you "see" God in each set-back, large or small? If you blow a tire on the way to work, do you "see" God in this; can it be another opportunity to overcome? Yes, especially if you can "see" God in it to begin with, for you not only have to change the tire, but also convince your employer that you have legitimate reason for arriving late. The same principle applies to the macrocosm as to the microcosm: the godly principle that applies to the individual also applies to the nation or nations. I said all that to say this: Can we "see" God in the present world turmoil?

### **JUDGMENT AND MERCY**

Faith Williams

For so long these have seemed to be opposite workings of our Father. As I pondered this in my heart recently, I heard Him say clearly: "***My judgment IS My mercy.***"

This is a hard saying, perhaps, when viewed from a natural perspective. Though they seem poles apart, let us consider this word.

Our God is a Father with one end in view; a creation worthy of its Creator. He has a deep concern for *all* His erring ones. He has purposed to form anew the vessel marred in the hands of the **Potter**. This is a holy mystery hidden in the secret counsels of our God. He knows, as any wise human father that often *pain is gain*, and He ceases not His work for our crying.

Contrary to popular opinion, real love is *not* soft, weak, and permissive. There are oft-warnings, pleadings and instructions as to the end of the path taken. When His wooing, kindness and goodness prevail not, then He knows that nothing but severe measures will bring a returning to Father and home.

With breaking heart, Jesus looked over Jerusalem. “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem—how *oft* would I—but ye would *not*—therefore your house is left unto you desolate.” I’m certain that for long He has wept over our North American nation, land of blessings and plenty.

When a people or a nation rebelliously pursues a course of destruction then our loving and wise Father must bring corrective judgments. In His mercy, He will do whatever is necessary to turn them into His ways of righteousness and peace. This is painful indeed in the “now” but He looks unto the “blessed afterwards.”

If we truly understand that the judgments of God are unto healing and restoration, our prayers would be more in line with His Word. As priests of God who know Father’s heart, our cry would be thus: “In Your mercy, Lord, bring Your righteous judgments into our land. Our sins have reached unto heaven and the very fabric of our nation is polluted by the heathen temples and practices we have allowed.”

Know this, that when this becomes our prayer, we need to gird up the loins of our mind and prepare to *bear*. We will be part of the suffering, else we do not have our Father’s heart. We shall know what it means to have a broken heart; to “weep with those who weep.” Not in soulish sympathy, but in compassion and sorrow for what *must* be—in the now.

For long we’ve gloried in the promises of Psa. 91, “A thousand shall fall at thy side and ten thousand at thy right hand, but it shall not come nigh thee.” Have we thought through the implications of this? Truly, He’s coming to clothe us with His wisdom and **cause** us to **stand**--understanding His ways, which are perfect, for **His judgments are His mercy**.

### THE BRETHREN SHARE

**1—Sandy Garred:** In 1996, before I even knew there was such a thing as a Melchisedec priesthood, the Lord told me, “*I am raising up a Melchisedec priesthood with bread and wine in their hands, and Life will flow out to the people.*”

At the same time He said, “I am placing *My mark of protection* on all those who sigh and groan over the abominations done in the land.” See Ezek.9:3-4: “And he called to the man clothed with linen, which had the writer’s inkhorn by his side; And the Lord said unto him, Go through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.” (This is New Jerusalem, God’s people, that is being referred to here).

Also, He has spoken to me many times recently: “*Remember My Mercy Seat.*”

**2—Elaine—Re: Email:** I’ve had two bouts of losing large numbers of your letters due to a virus invading my system. I want to apologize for not answering any letters that I did not get to read. If you have asked for materials please ask us again, for we may not have received your message. It was quite a job putting “Humpty Dumpty” together again, but I think I have done it.

**3—Donna Lee Curtis:** I had three dreams and the last one, a dream/vision (about one month before Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>) was simple. I saw an obelisk (the Washington monument) reaching from earth to heaven, and it was frightening to me. The Lord showed me an order of the five systems of man crumbling—first, the religious system (prayer taken out of schools), then the educational system collapsing, then the political system (Pentagon), the monetary system (the two World Trade centers), then the medical system.

He showed me that the obelisk (monument) was the political system and the obelisk also represented man from earth reaching toward God. I see it as a good thing to bring man closer to God.

In a previous dream, a girl from I fellowship I attended invited me to a luncheon. The cinder block building was huge, representing different denominations, most of which I had attended or joined at some point in my life. The building was nothing to brag about and had lots of tables representing the different denominations. A pastor was carrying me and said, “Your name is Donna!” I lit up like a light bulb!

Then I was handed over to Jesus. My feet never touched the floor. All the tables were filled with luscious-looking food, but I wasn’t hungry. First, Jesus carried me to the east side of the building. I sat on His lap but a big draft came so we went to the west side. There, the sun was too hot. We went to all the tables and sat down with

the luscious food but never ate any of it. We sat down at a table of black people.

Then, He carried me far away from the denominations and crowds, and in this place I saw two slices of bread. I said, “Now, that looks good and I wanted to put them in the straw bag I was carrying.” Jesus took them and they disappeared into Him.

When I awoke, He showed me my life and the places I had walked, with Him always carrying me. The reason my eyes lit up so brightly when the pastor said my name was from a childhood experience. My dad was away during World War II and at one time was gone for two years. I was six years old and went to the store for a neighbor. A man got off the bus with a huge duffle-bag and picked me up and said, “I know you’re one of mine, but I don’t know which one.” When Pastor Hodge said, “Your name is Donna” a great healing took place. (There were four girls in my family close in age: Faith, Donna, Janet, and Anna). Faith and I had some haircuts and were one year apart in age. That’s why Daddy couldn’t tell which daughter I was). The dream was so intense.

Jesus showed me that in man’s fellowships we sometimes find an emptiness. Only when we can look to Him alone will we find true fellowship with Jesus. The “bread” that we hunger for is in Jesus!

**4—Betty Houck:** One of our daughters had a new baby boy who was born 8 weeks early and had to stay in the hospital for 5 weeks. This family has 5 other children and it was a difficult time as our daughter had to spend much time at the hospital and the father had to work during the day. I knew the Lord was saying that I should go to their home (about 120 miles away) and take care of those 5 little ones (ages 2-8) for the last two weeks before the baby came home.

I didn’t really feel up to the task at all. I knew the Lord would have to give me the strength. I did go but have to admit I counted down the days to when I could come home again. When I was young it seemed easier to take care of little ones.

After I came home I began seeking the mind of the Lord in a matter as we needed to have some direction on a big decision we had to make. After seeking the Lord for weeks on this matter with no answer I said, “Lord, why is it so difficult at times to know what your will is? It is my only desire to do Your will, for only in Your perfect will do I find peace, fulfillment and contentment.”

His reply brought me up so short of where my heart longed to be. “I sent you to your daughter’s home for two weeks to take care of 5 little children. Did you find peace, fulfillment and contentment—for that was My will?” I was beginning to see why it may take me a little longer to hear Him in some matters. Perhaps we pass over some of these things thinking they are just earthly concerns but Heaven must come to earth. And not one thing concerning our lives escapes His watchful eye.

There is something else that God has been showing me about His leading. In times past we waited on the Lord for a **word** but it seems, of late, as we wait on Him in areas where we must have guidance, He doesn’t **speak** as He did yesterday. He may put something in our hearts and make us to know that we must come to a new step in Him where we walk towards what is in our hearts, trusting that He put it there.

Since there is only a desire to do His will, we must trust that He *is* leading us. “*And you will hear a voice behind you saying, this is the way, walk ye in it.*” A voice behind us would mean that we have already been walking by faith and *as* we walk, it is confirmed. It would be to me in the Spirit as walking *on* the water. It may seem that there is nothing stable under your feet and there isn’t to the natural man, but the water (His word) is there to uphold.

I also wanted to share a thought on the scripture in Song of Solomon that you wrote about. We had for many years, even after coming to understand sonship, gone to “Sonship Churches.” I can tell you by experience that a church is a church! By that I mean, there are still hoops that you are expected to jump through. The minute you come into “covenant relationship” with them you will be kept *so* busy teaching Sun-day School, Vacation Bible School, fixing the roof on the church, painting the classrooms, visitations, and so on. How do I know? I’ve been there! Song of Sol. 1:5,6 “*My mother’s sons were incensed against me; they made me keeper of the vineyards: but mine own vineyard have I not kept.*”

We worked so hard *for* Jesus in the church realm that we didn’t even have time to get alone with the Lord and maintain our own relationship. But of course, to them, God and the church are one and the same. There were not enough hours in a day to do what was expected of us and the more we did, the greater the need seemed to be. Praise the Lord for His deliverance from hard servitude.

**PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE**

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