

# Gospel of the Kingdom

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## THE BRETHREN SHARE

**It is time once again to share from the brethren throughout this entire issue. And we would like to publicly thank all those who labor with us and those who stand behind us with their gifts, making it possible to continue sending the Gospel of the Kingdom around the world wherever His remnant is hidden. Bill & Elaine**

### 1. A VISITATION—REVELATION 5

#### Part 2

Mitt Jeffords

Since the fall of Adam, man has been alienated and separated from the things that God has prepared for his people: **the life of God**. Are you able to hear and understand that which I am speaking to you? The life of God is not like any manner of earthly life, and neither is it like the life that is experienced by way of the heavenly creatures; for the life of God is that life which has only been experienced by the Father and the Son. Is it possible for a man to be one with his heavenly Father's heart and not be in the very likeness of Father's heart? Is it possible for one to be a son of God and not be completely equal with God? But who can see and hear these words?

In the darkness, man has been kept in bondage to his ignorance of the life of God; that is, he has had eyes to see, but has not been able to see the things of God; he has ears to hear, but he has not been able to understand the truth of the words of God; he has a heart, but he has not been able to perceive the nature of the life of God. For as high as the heavens have been above the earth, so also has the nature of the life of God been above the nature of the life of man. Though you have sought to understand and to know the truth of these things, and though I have allowed you to taste of the power and the truth of my life, you still have yet to come into the fullness of this truth, the truth that reveals the **nature of the life of God**.

Even now, your heart has remained veiled and your eyes have scales upon them, keeping hidden the glory of my life from you, but you are drawing closer and closer to the fullness of time when all

of these things which are written in the book shall be seen and heard, and then fulfilled. I am now doing a new thing, and all things shall be changed: and **my life is that new thing**. Remember, until the fullness of time comes, you are still under the blood that I shed upon the cross for you. Let my blood continue to be a witness unto you of the great love that I have for you, as well as a witness of my faithfulness; for I am the faithful and true witness, and I will perform all those things which I am revealing to you. I yearn to fill your heart with words of truth, words of life, and the words of my power. I yearn to fill you with the fullness of Me: the fullness of the kingdom that I won for you. As a bride takes the name of her husband, so also do I yearn to give to you my companionship and fellowship. If you can believe, then the zeal of God shall perform all of these promises and words for you.

“You have heard that my word is living and that it is powerful, and though you have tasted of power, you have yet to experience the fullness of this truth. Yes, my word has been unto you as the word of correction: as a hammer that has broken your pride into pieces. Yes, my word has been as a sword that has pierced your heart, to reveal to you the hidden things of darkness as well as all of those counsels which are not of me. Yes, my word has been unto you the truth that has revealed the lies of Satan, so as to sanctify you. Yes, my word has been given unto you to increase your faith, dissolving your doubts, your fears, as well as all of your unbelief. In these things, you have asked to see and to hear the truth of my words; and I have opened your eyes and your ears to see and hear these truths of my words.

“You have witnessed my faithfulness as you have allowed me to build up your faith so that the gates of hell have not been able to prevail against you; nor have any of the powers of darkness been able to overthrow you. As you have asked to see the truth of my words, you have witnessed me freeing you from the miserable thoughts of the carnal mind; you have seen my power as I have delivered you from your bondage to Satan's lies

that have kept you in bondage to the evil desires of pride, of hatred, of iniquity, of anxiety, of hypocrisy, of all manner of fears, of unbelief, of worry, of the cares of this life, of your rebellion, from your own righteousness, from your own judgments, and your finding fault with others. You have seen how I have sent unto you the truth of my words to deliver you from the deceitfulness of your opinions, which you have used to mask the truth about your ignorance. As you have asked to see these things, I have opened your eyes to see the truth of these things. But why have you not yet asked me to open your eyes so that **you may see the truth about My life?**

“As you asked of me, you witnessed my word coming to you to teach you all knowledge and give you all understanding. As you asked to see my words, you have also witnessed my power as my words have brought to nothing your worldly wisdom: the worldly wisdom from which all of your fleshy and evil desires have been birthed. As you have asked of me, you have seen me send to you the truth of my words that have delivered from false doctrines, from the ungodly counsels of men’s interpretations, and from the traditions of men. When you have asked of me, you have even witnessed my power in the word that I have sent to you to destroy the evil works that oppose my will for your life. In your seeking of me, you have seen my faithfulness in the word that I have sent unto you to open your eyes to see spiritual things, to open your ears to hear the truth of my words, and to open your heart so that you might receive the blessings of God. Could I have performed any of these works for you had you not believed the instruction of my words?

“If you had asked nothing of me, then could I have sent any of my words unto you? All things must be fulfilled just as they are written in my Word. It was first necessary for me to prepare your hearts and your minds to receive the glory of my life, for the kingdom of God that is coming unto you. You know that it is written that new wine cannot be poured into an old wineskin, lest it tear and all falls to the ground. Now hear and understand, it is impossible for the natural heart to receive the blessings of my Spirit--my power, my honor, my wisdom, my strength, my love, my riches, and the glory that I have won for you. Yes, in your correction you have been prepared to receive the fullness of my word, the truth about the life of God. In your correction, your eyes have

been opened to see much that has been hidden from you; but what your eyes have yet to see is the life of God. It is of these things that no eye has seen, or that any ear has heard, or that any heart has been able to perceive. You have not yet known of these blessings yet because you have not yet asked to see the truth concerning **the life of God**; yet, you know that it is written that when I appear unto you, you shall see me as I am, and you shall be changed into my likeness.. Now, ask me to open your eyes to see the life of God, and it shall be given unto you according to your belief.

“You have not asked to see and hear these things because it was hidden from your heart till this day to ask to know these things: that is, now is the appointed time. Now is the time appointed for my people to ask me to open their eyes so that they may see Father’s heart, the life of God. For this is the day of the fulfilling of all my words and promises . This is the day that your eyes will be opened to see all things, that your ears will be opened to understand all things, and that your heart will be opened to perceive all things. Now are your hearts being prepared to see all things, to receive all things, and to believe all things. Now is the time that your eyes will see and your ears will hear the fullness of those things that have been written; those very things that many righteous men and prophets have desired to hear and to see, and have not heard nor seen. But blessed are your eyes, for they are being opened to see these things, and your ears, for they are being opened to understand these things.” (To be continued)

**2: Bill Cook:** I wish to give thanks to all who have sent encouragement to me since the last mailing. One brother even sent a cleansing program with all the necessary materials. A sister sent an order of Essiac and many people gave me the addresses of those who are in alternative methods of attacking the Big C. Friends from Tennessee sent the book, *“The Believer’s Authority”*—an excellent book.

Yes, thus far I’m feeling better because y’all have reached out to me. I am so blessed to have such a large, loving family! Thanks again! Bill C.

**3. Richard and Mary Coder:** (taken from a personal letter to the Cooks). “Thank you again for faithfully fulfilling your ministry of encouragement. As I was meditating about that, the Spirit reminded me that when Saul was confronted by the Lord, Jesus said that Saul was persecuting **Him**, not the church or His body. Then the Spirit

flipped the concept to the ministry of **encouragement** instead of the attack on the body of Christ.

**This means that when you encourage the body of Christ you are encouraging our Lord, Who is in the body members.** I asked the Lord for an example from scripture. He gave me Deuteronomy where the people of God were told to encourage Joshua, a type of Christ, who stood before them to cause Israel to inherit the promised land, which I see as the mind of Christ.

I hope you can see what I saw. You two who are in Christ, visibly standing before the people of God, encouraging God's people to let the mind of Christ reign in them (Deut. 1:38; 3:28). You not only encourage us by sharing about us in your publication, but you also encourage us by so faithfully serving our Lord for so many years. How many? (38) We thank you and bless you for that.

**4. Joanne Anstine:** I appreciated the point Janice made about how to respond and not react, to circumstances that we “bump up against.” We are to return blessing for cursing, love for hate, praying for those who despitefully use us (and certainly truth, peace and justice are important—I guess I would include love here, as well). Sometimes results are not as swift, but what is “swift” is what happens within us when we walk in this light, spirit, word!

**5. Pastor Gideon (Africa):** “The Lord led me to pray for you and I asked the church to pray . We prayed that God may bless you abundantly, and that God may give you favor and that He may use you greatly, especially in these last days.

“After praying for you, I felt God gave me this message for you . Judges 8:4, “**Weary, Yet Pursuing.**” This is when God used Gideon and the three hundred men to fight the Midianites. They reached a point where they were so weary, but still they were pursuing their enemies, the Kings of Midian, Zeba and Almuna. After their pursuit, the land enjoyed the favor of the Lord for 40 years. God will use you greatly and will give you the strength to pursue until you fully step into your destination, your blessings. We will continue praying for you and believing God to raise you beyond limits.” (This is a message to the weary. If you are weary, take it as for yourself and keep on pursuing! Bill and Elaine.)

**6. From a Reader:** The Lord has been talking to my sister and I about blessing people and seeing them s He sees them—as a finished product. My brother-in-law is a heavy drinker and has tried to

quit several times but always ends up failing. My sister and I agreed to start blessing him with sobriety on Friday. Sunday night he came to her and said that needed to quit drinking and was going to start to try again the next day. After a couple of weeks he told her that he must have “had help” with this problem because he had no problem quitting this time!

**7. From a Reader:** One day this past fall as I was working in my kitchen, a tiny sparrow hit my window from the outside and fell to the ground. A couple of other sparrows landed in a tree nearby and stayed for a few moments, then flew away. I was very upset about the condition of the wee sparrow so I went outside to see if he was all right. He was lying on his side on the ground with his beak open. You could see his little chest going up and down. Gradually, his breathing decreased and he rolled over on to his back with his feet in the air. I felt impressed to go to him and very gently stroke his head and neck while praying for him and blessing him with life and health. Slowly his breathing increased and gradually he rolled back on to his side, and then eventually on to his chest. All this time I was stroking his head and neck. He didn't even seem to be afraid of me. After he was upright, I stepped back and just watched him for a moment. I asked the Lord what happened when he rolled over on to his back and I heard the Lord say...”death roll.” I then left him there and went back inside the house, rejoicing that the Lord had intervened on this little bird's behalf.

After about half an hour, my husband came home and wanted to let our cat go outside, and of course I told him “No,” and then told him the story about the little bird who was still out there. He went out and picked up the bird gently and placed him on a low branch of a tree. The bird sat there for about 20 minutes and then just flew away. It proves once again that our Father cares about even the little sparrows!

**8. Miriam West:** When I was visiting my daughter I looked out the living room window one evening and noticed five little lights on the porch. I asked her what they were. She said, “They are solar lights. They take in the sun by day and shine at night.” So, as we take in the Son daily, suddenly we will be a light to all the world. We are, in a measure, now.

**9. John Robert Stevens:** “We rejoice in the Feast of Pentecost because the Holy Spirit comes to baptize us with fire and to deliver us from the chaff in

our lives, but we also rejoice in the Feast of Tabernacles when the Lord shall have removed all the filthiness of the daughters of Zion by the spirit of burning. Then the glory will return of which the Feast of Tabernacles is a type. In this hour, a remnant of believers is entering into the Feast of Tabernacles experience. The Feast of Trumpets, or the sounding of the Shofar, symbolizes prophecy coming forth everywhere. The trumpets are sounding! God is calling His people together to do a great work. However God is dealing with you, in one phase of your spiritual experience or another (Passover, Pentecost, Tabernacles). He intends to work until you experience the return of the glory of God upon your life.”

**10. J. Preston Eby:** “The feet members of the body of Christ, who are the sons of God to come forth in this new kingdom day of the Lord must be purged in the fires of the Lord like no people before them. They shall tread upon Satan, sin, and death, therefore, they must be more thoroughly washed, cleansed, refined, and purified. These anointed ones will appear ‘like unto fine brass; as though they burned in an oven because they have been more thoroughly purged in the Lord’s fiery furnace of purification. Surely this explains why the saints of this hour are experiencing such severe trials and testings, and are being so thoroughly processed by the Lord. The testings and trials we are experiencing in this hour are not so much organized persecutions from without but very personal pressures and circumstances that try us to the very core of our being.”

**11. Amy Carmichael’s Poem:** One has said, “Our values determine our evaluations. If we value comfort more than character, then trials will upset us. If we value the material and physical more than the spiritual, we will not be able to ‘count it all joy.’ If we live only for the present and forget the future, then trials will make us bitter, not better. God really does have a good purpose in all of our trials,” This poem clarifies this thought:

**Hast thou no scar?**

**No hidden scar on foot or side or hand?**

**I hear thee sung as mighty in the land.**

**I hear them hail thy bright ascendant star.**

**Hast thou no scar? Hast thou not wound?**

**Yet I was wounded by the archers spent.**

**Leaned me against the tree to die and rent**

**By ravening beasts that compassed me I swooned.**

**Hast thou no wound? No wound, no scar.**

**Yes, as the Master shall the servant be,**

**And pierced are the feet that follow Me.**

**But thine are whole. Can he have followed far**

**Who has no wound or no scar?**

**12. Kendall Sikes:** “In my dream, I was swearing at God and cursing Him with the most foul language imaginable while I was driving down the highway. My wife was with me and had her arms around me, comforting me while I was doing this. After I was done cursing Him, I said, sarcastically, “I had the truth, but Nooo—You had to go and take it away from me!” After that I **screamed** as loud as I could. It was a loud, almost agonizing scream. All the while my wife was comforting me, with her arms around me.

I awoke, short of breath, as if I had really gone through it, and well, I did! I said to the Lord, “Lord, how could I have said all those things to you? It was awful, Father!”

In a thundering voice in my spirit He said something that will stay with me for the rest of my flesh life: “**You** have done nothing! I have drawn these things out of you, and unblackened your heart, My son.” Even now it brings tears to my eyes. He is the embodiment of Love!

I was brought up in the absolute certainty that followers of Christ would go to heaven, and all others would go to Hell and that the second coming of the Lord would be in the actual clouds of the heavens. I **knew** I had the truth. All that I knew is now being put to death. I asked the Lord recently, “Lord, forgive me if it is wrong for me to ask but, may I see Your Face now? You know my heart and it’s not a sign that I seek, Father.” Then I beheld a wonder I shall never forget! I saw a powerful representation of our Lord. He had a blue body, outlined in white. The top of His head danced as if it were aflame. His eyes were of white-orange fire, and when He opened His mouth, it was as white fire. At the time I didn’t know the significance of colors but now I know that Blue signifies Heaven and the Spirit itself. The White is purity, righteousness, overcoming, and joy. The White-Orange is that purifying refiner’s fire that burns with an everlasting light. Little did I know that it was such a wondrous vision the Lord gave to me. I am beginning to see all is pre-ordained for His good purpose, even my being called. It was with Him since before the creation of the earth that we, the overcomers, His seed, would be meant to walk in His light.

I had another vision. I **had** to know something. I was always taught that Christ would come as a thief in the night meaning, He would come to judge the world when it was time. All the dead would rise, the righteous meet in in the skies, everyone go to heaven and \*poof\* everything would be revealed. Now I see it is speaking of spiritual things. All the dead will rise. I was dead. Now I'm risen!

**13. Ruth Tillery:** "Though I have afflicted you, I will afflict you no more." The old cold winter of the northern winds have blown on us for long enough. I don't know about those long dark winters you have in Canada, but you described it to me once, and that is exactly what we have been going through for so many years...a time of learning that we are dead in our own works...and life has become a sense of just existing, almost boring...and confining. We have lain on our beds of peace with God, but the only abundant life we have known is in our hearts. The worldly life has left us so alone and so seemingly rejected and abandoned. A lot of that loneliness and abandonment has kept us in a prison in our own minds...a prison of a bitter vine that has been so entwined around our hearts that we have been so miserable...not healed of our painful memories...there are still a couple of roots and fibers hanging on. But now He is in the process of setting us free from those last things that satan can get a toe-hold on. If we find in ourselves the slightest bit of stubborn pride that cannot forgive and "forget", then He has to shake us until we become desperate to be delivered. This is preparing us to see His face...No old unclean memory can stand before the throne of God. I know that in ourselves we cannot forgive or forget, but if we make the choice to do so, then we are free from it under His blood and all we have to do is let it go and move on toward Him...that choice will be the catalyst that will loosen its grip on us...It's all a "magical" thing...called grace

**14. CD's:** We now have **The Names of God** on four CD's. Ask if you'd like to have them!

**15.** We have made some of Mitt Jefford's revelations into booklets of around 30 pages and put a cover on them. They are available for the asking or you could receive them by Email if you should ask. The ones we have ready are called:

- **The Vision of the Dry Bones**

- **A Spiritual Dream:**

**"Keep it or Delete It—**

**The Choice is Yours."**

**16--Change of Email Address:** I did notify you that we have a new Email address, but some of you haven't noticed it yet. Here it is again: [becook@shaw.ca](mailto:becook@shaw.ca) **It is also on the header of the newsletter!**

**17. Scientists Study Speaking in Tongues:** Researchers at the University of PA found that there may be a neurological parallel between what worshippers believe about the speaking in tongues experience and what actually transpires in the brain, the New York Time reported. Scientists took brain images from five healthy, active, church-going women as they were speaking in tongues and as they were singing, comparing the two images.

They discovered that the women's frontal lobes—the willful, thinking part—were quiet, as were the language centers, indicating something else was in control. "The amazing thing was how the images supported people's interpretation of what was happening," said Dr. Andrew B. Newberg, the lead researcher. "The way they describe it, and what they believe, is that God is talking through them."

Scans of people practicing meditation differed sharply. Newberg found that during meditation, the frontal lobe (the willful, thinking part) was more active. (unquote).

**Marion Polzin comments on this:** Following this amazing research in respect to speaking in tongues, it comes to mind that the atmosphere of our brain (the thinking part) needs to be under the control of the Holy Spirit in order to hear from our Lord. We cannot hear from Him when our thoughts are in turmoil, busy with carnal thoughts, preoccupied with the things of the past. With His help, we can learn to submit our thinking and never-ending thoughts to Him, to be renewed daily in the spirit of our mind. Only then are we able to hear the Voice and feel the nudgings of the Holy Spirit. It was shown that the speaking in tongues "turns off the busy turmoil of the carnal, reasoning mind!"

**18--Momentous Days: (Elaine—two recent prophecies).** "Thou art living in momentous days. That which you had not thought to see in this life thou shalt see and shall magnify your Saviour in the midst of thee. Man shall be unable to destroy what I do in this day, for My power will be present in its fullness. It shall not be as at the foundation of My church, that My anointed disciples gave their lives for My Word. The church was estab-

lished upon the lives of the martyrs poured out for them.

“The kingdom shall be different. It shall be established upon the lives of the *living martyrs* who have yielded their self-nature to the cross and have, in return, received of My nature. They shall live and declare the wonderful works of God—not only in words, but also in deeds. I have purposed it thus and My counsel shall stand!

**Meat to Eat:** “Did I not say unto My disciples: ‘I have meat to eat that ye know not of?’ And, so it shall be said of My sons: ‘They have meat to eat that the rest of My Family know not of. It is the meat in due season that I promised to give to those whose senses were exercised to discern good from evil.’

“Fret not if My younger members refuse thy meat and cast it from them as if it were fit for the dogs. Hold no malice against these, for in their immaturity they have no taste for strong meat and must reject those who do. They cannot desire My meat until I have ploughed their land and worked in them a broken and a humble spirit, for the meat that I give is My broken Body and shed Blood. This can only be received in a deeper way by those whose hearts have been prepared by Me.

“Tell My mature ones to take no offense nor rejection from such as these, for they cannot eat what has not been prepared for them. Live at peace with My little ones and let your souls rest. Their spiritual growth is in My Hands!”

**19—Douglas Clark:** The Lord has burned into my heart that nothing of self can enter the place God has called us to. The angel is standing with the flaming sword, protecting the tree of life. There is only one way to partake, and that is to pass through the flaming sword. This sword of the Lord will divide and separate that which is born of Adam from that which is born of the Spirit.

**20: Chris Taylor:** I’ve been rereading Shofar Letters sent out by Larry Hodges (deceased) and quote: “Certainly, when looked upon in the natural, (we) are not what one might typically look upon as deliverers of anything. (We) look more as if (we ourselves) need deliverance. One thing more (we) are certainly not—the Laodicean Church! Not one of (us) believes he is rich and increased with goods and in need of nothing. But a door has opened to (us)! For it is right after the warning to the Laodicean Church that we are told in Rev. 4:1 that a door was opened in heaven to the ‘come-up-hither’ throne realm. There is about

to be seen by some that a door has opened in the heavenlies out of which a ministry of unsurpassed and unimagined glory is destined to issue forth. It will issue forth from that realm that thus far has been only briefly glimpsed by mankind during that time when Jesus walked the earth so long ago. It will be issuing forth of Ezekiel’s river of life coming forth from the throne of God and from under the threshold of a doorway, bringing life whithersoever it goes. It is there now, only not yet come forth or manifested.” (“*After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, ‘Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this.’*” Rev. 4:1) Unquote.

Sometimes the Lord will give me a brief word before a new year begins which is meant to be remembered through that year. Last year at this time He said, **Fixed in Six (2006)**. I had not known when He gave it what it could mean, but one meaning has unfolded as a kind of being **fixed** in Him in a deeper way. And now I see that He also **fixed** my doors in 2006, so that is another meaning.

Now He has given a word for the upcoming year (2007) – **Heaven in Seven**. This would seem to go along with what he has been doing re: **doors** and may confirm the above word concerning Rev. 4:1.

**21: Thelma Neill:** On Oct. 29/06, the Lord woke me up with these words: “*And the Lord will come suddenly to His temple*” **Malachi 3:1**. I pray my heart is ready.

**22: Free Book:** God saved a wretch like me! When God saved John Newton, the author of the song Amazing Grace, He certainly saved a wretched man! About 300 years ago, he was a slave-trader, an atheist, a blasphemer, and the lowest of immoral people. If you want to read John Newton’s 20-page testimony, write to me at this address for a free copy of “God’s Grace Saved A Wretch Like Me”: Jim Meletiou, 4912 Lancer Dr., Knoxville, TN 37921-3014, U.S.A. Email: JimMeletiou@BellSouth.net

**23: CD’s:** We now have **The Names of God** available on; four CD’s. Just ask for them!

**24: Jimme Kates:** The Lord has been showing me how calm and easy life can be when I ask Him specifically how to organize my day. What a Friend! I have been amazed at how much has been accomplished at the end of my day. It has taken

fifty years, but I am learning how to let the Lord “run my business”, so to speak.

I have a sister who has never been much to give God glory for things. Anyway, that is the way it looked on the outward. This past year God has really been dealing with me about **calling those things that are not as though they are**. Just yesterday I found out that she and her husband are seeking the Lord for everything! Things are never as they appear to be by the natural eye, so I am training my natural self to only see things the way I pray. Of course, we know that’s the way it should always have been!

**25: Helen Martin:** Your revelation of how Jesus had mingled blood was very enlightening. I’d had questions about His blood. Some issues ago, when you wrote about how a covenant is made, you said a tree might be planted as a memorial. I had to laugh—Jesus did it, too! We are “trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified!”

**26: Douglas Clark:** Recently I was driving in my car and had a vision. I saw a woman about to give birth. She was in labor and ready to deliver, but all that came out of her was a puff of air. Next, I saw soldiers with drawn swords running out of her womb. Suddenly, I realized that what appeared to be a woman about to give birth was in reality a **Trojan Horse**.

I consider this a warning. What may appear to be something of God about to be birthed in reality is the enemy. I believe this particular enemy to be the self-efforts of those who are trying to take the Kingdom of God by force, signified by their drawn swords. This is not much different from those who wanted a Messiah who would bring freedom from Roman rule instead of self rule. The violence of the Kingdom is not an outward force upon the systems of this world, but an inward one as the King of Kings takes His rightful place of authority on the throne of our heart. Many of God’s people are allowing this teaching to influence them because they don’t recognize it as false. As the Spirit of Christ takes dominion in us, then the kingdoms of man will implode.

Again, I had a vision of a strong torrent of water rushing down a mountain. Everything in its path was submerged in this rushing river, but just as quickly as it came, the water subsided and ran off into crevices, filling the low places with water. **These low places retained the water like reservoirs.**

The torrent of water represents the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It will be quick and abrupt and without any warning. Many will initially get wet and be submerged in the power and flow of God’s Spirit, but only those who are in the low places will retain this anointing and the outpouring of this move, for they have been humbled and made low by the hand of God in their lives. In the low places they have learned to retain God’s presence in their lives like a reservoir. Those who remain on the high ground are not yet able to retain the presence of God in their lives. For them, the anointing from this torrent will pass very quickly.

**27: Clara Elliott:** While pondering on how the Lord could possibly intercede for us, He made me aware of the fact that we are His Body and as we pray, He prays through us.

Something strange took place in May. I had this little bird come to the window of the room where I pray. It flew up and down and across the windows. After this happened for a number of days, I finally got the hint that maybe the word “sparrow” had a special message for me. I looked up sparrow in Ps. 102:7; 84:3; Matt. 10:29; Luke 12:6. I saw that the sparrow had a house, the swallow a nest, with both obtaining thine altars, O Lord of Hosts, my King and my God.

After I looked this up, the bird stopped messing around at the windows for a number of days, but it came back and proceeded to put on its strange performance again. In #6852 the words “depart early” appeared so I began to look it up and found Judges 7:3 that deals with Gideon, how the fearful are sifted out of 22,000, leaving 10,000. It is at Gilead (heap of testimony) that Gideon (warrior, feller of trees) is told how to deal with Midian (contentious and brawling). First, the fearful must go home. The sifting continues to just 300 chosen vessels, empty vessels with light in them, a trumpet each, who stand their ground. They are vessels who are in unison and who all speak the same thing: **the Sword of the Lord; the Sword of Gideon**. The 300 didn’t come forth until the fearful were removed first from Mount Gilead (heap of testimony) and from Gideon’s host (warrior).

Hebrews 10:38 sums it up. “Now the just shall live by faith; but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. 2 Tim. 1:7 tells us that God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

All this from a sparrow’s visit to my windows.

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