**Aflame Sunday Celebration Message – 30 December 2018**

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**Theme : Contrasting LIGHT of JESUS GLORY**

**Our Living Hope is in the RESURRECTED KING, Who has Resurrected our Spirits to Arise.**

**1 Peter 1: 3 – 5 (AMPC)**

Praised (Honored, Blessed) be the GOD and FATHER of our LORD JESUS CHRIST (the Messiah) ! By HIS boundless Mercy we have been Born Again to an Ever-Living Hope through the Resurrection of JESUS CHRIST from the dead, [*Born Anew*] into an Inheritance which is beyond the reach of change and decay [*Imperishable*], unsullied and unfading, Reserved in Heaven for you,

who are being guarded (garrisoned) by GOD's Power through [*your*] Faith [*till you fully inherit that Final*] Salvation that is ready to be Revealed [*for you*] in the Last Time.

**Religious Blindness in All Nations, even Christmas Celebrated, ‘Nativity Scene’ Displayed.**

**2 Corinthians 3: 15**

But even to this day, when Moses is read, *a veil lies on their heart*.

**~ Jews Not in CHRIST, Read OT Scriptures, Blinded Spiritually *Not Know* JESUS is LORD.**

**2 Corinthians 3: 16**

Nevertheless when one turns to the LORD, *the veil is taken away*.

**~ Repentance & Believing in JESUS as the CHRIST, the Spiritual Blindness is Removed.**

**~ Issue of the Heart Not Turning to the LORD > *Iniquity,* Pride, Hardened Heart, Unbelief.**

**2 Corinthians 3: 17**

Now the LORD is the SPIRIT; and where the SPIRIT of the LORD is, ***there is Liberty.***

**~ Belief in JESUS as the CHRIST is To Believe in the HOLY SPIRIT is the SPIRIT of CHRIST.**

**2 Corinthians 3: 18**

But we all, with *unveiled face,* beholding as in a Mirror the Glory of the LORD, are being

***Transformed into the Same Image*** from glory to Glory, just as by the SPIRIT of the LORD.

**~ Transparency & Openness in Soul, as one Comes before the LORD, in Humility.**

**~ Power of the SPIRIT will Work Wonders in one’s Soul, to Renew & Transform *Any Sinner*.**

**2 Corinthians 4: 16 – 17 (AMPC)**

Therefore we do not become discouraged (utterly *spiritless, exhausted*, and *Wearied Out through* *Fear*). Though our *outer man* is [*progressively*] decaying and wasting away, yet our Inner Self is being [*Progressively*] *Renewed* day after day.

For our light, *momentary* affliction (this slight distress of *the passing hour*) is ever more and more abundantly preparing and producing and achieving for us an ***Everlasting Weight of Glory*** [*beyond all measure, Excessively Surpassing all comparisons and all calculations, a vast and* Transcendent Glory *and Blessedness never to cease !*].

**~ Earthly Time thru Affliction Develops within our Spirit, *Spiritual Treasure* of Eternal GLORY.**

**Our Spiritual Focus in MIND to Be on Heavenly Things of GOD, will be Spiritual & Everlasting.**

**~ 2 Corinthians 4: 18 (AMPC)**

 Since 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.

**~ Living Not for the NOW earthly things, but Focus to Live on What be the Heavenly Things.**

 **Colossians 3: 1 – 4**

 If then you were Raised with CHRIST, seek those Things which are Above, where CHRIST is,

 Sitting at the Right Hand of GOD. ***Set your*** ***mind*** on ***Things Above***, not on things on the earth.

 For you died, and *your life is hidden with* CHRIST in GOD. When CHRIST Who *is* our life *appears*,

 then you also *will appear* with HIM in GLORY.

**Life in Our Inner Spirit is Lighted Up by JESUS Who Came to Give Spiritual Life to All Reborn.**

**John 1: 4 – 5, 9 (AMPC)**

In HIM was Life, and the Life was the Light of men. And the LIGHT shines on in the darkness, for

the darkness has never overpowered IT [*put it out or absorbed it or appropriated it, and is*

*unreceptive to it*].

There it was - **the True LIGHT** [*was then*] coming into the world [*the genuine, perfect,* steadfast LIGHT] that **Illumines** every person.

**Colossians 1: 13 – 14 (AMPC)**

[The FATHER] has delivered and drawn us to HIMSelf *out of the* control and the dominion

of darkness and has transferred us into the Kingdom of the SON of HIS Love, in Whom we

have our Redemption through HIS Blood [*which means*] the forgiveness of our sins.

**~ CHRIST’ Power by HIS SPIRIT is To Convict, To Convey OUT of Darkness of this World.**

**~ Resurrection Power is To Convey INTO CHRIST’s Kingdom of HIS Marvellous LIGHT.**

**JESUS Prayed the Most Crucial Prayer for Deliverance of Souls from Darkness, Not to Perish.**

**~ John 17: 16 – 18 (AMPC)**

 “They are not of the world (worldly, belonging to the world), [*just*] as I am not of the world.

 Sanctify them [*purify, consecrate, separate them for* YOURSelf*, make them holy*] by the TRUTH;

 YOUR Word is Truth. Just as YOU Sent Me into the world, I also have *sent them into* the world.”

**JESUS’ Prayer is for All Generations who will Believe in HIM thru the WORD, the TRUTH.**

**~ John 17: 19 – 21**

 And for their sakes I sanctify MYSelf, that they also may be sanctified by the TRUTH. I do not

 pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in ME *through their Word*; that they

 All may be One, as YOU, FATHER, *are* in ME, and I in YOU; that they also may be One in US,

 that the world may believe that YOU sent ME.

**GOD’s GLORY is in JESUS Who has Been Given to Believers to be as ONE as HIS CHURCH.**

**~ John 17: 22 – 23**

 And the GLORY which YOU gave ME I *have given them*, that they may be One just as

 WE are ONE: I in them, and YOU in ME; that they *may be made* Perfect in One, and *that the world*

 *may know* that YOU have sent ME, and have loved them as YOU have loved ME.”

**The LORD Asked for HIS CHURCH, HIS Holy Possession to Be with HIM in Eternal GLORY.**

**~ John 17: 24**

 “FATHER, I desire that they also whom YOU gave ME may be with ME Where I am, that they

 may behold MY GLORY which YOU have given ME; for YOU loved ME before the foundation

 of the world.”

**Colossians 1: 27**

**To them GOD willed to make known What are the Riches of the GLORY of this Mystery**

**among the Gentiles: Which is CHRIST in you, the Hope of GLORY.**

**~ As GOD’s Called & Chosen in CHRIST, we are Made Known of CHRIST’s Eternal GLORY.**

**Our Light in CHRIST, in the LORD, in the SPIRIT is *CONTRASTING* with the World’s Light.**

**Ephesians 5: 8 – 11 (AMPC)**

For once you were darkness, but now you are Light in the LORD; walk as Children of LIGHT

[*lead the lives of those Native-Born to* the LIGHT]. For **the Fruit** (the effect, **the Product**) of

**the LIGHT**or **the SPIRIT**[*consists*] in Every Form of kindly Goodness, Uprightness of heart, and Trueness of life. And try to learn [*in your experience*] what is Pleasing to the LORD

[*let your lives be Constant Proofs of what is most acceptable* to HIM].

Take no part in and have no fellowship with the fruitless deeds and *enterprises of darkness*, but

instead [*let your lives be so In Contrast as to*] Expose and Reprove and Convict them.

**The World has Been & Still in Spiritual Darkness, Denser on All Peoples, All Nations on earth.**

**Isaiah 60: 1 – 5 (AMPC)**

**ARISE** [*from the depression and prostration in which circumstances have kept you –*

*Rise to A New Life*] ! **Shine** (be Radiant with the GLORY of the LORD), for your LIGHT has come, and

**the GLORY of the LORD has Risen upon you !**

For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and *dense darkness* **[All]** peoples, but the LORD shall Arise upon you [*O Jerusalem*], and **HIS GLORY shall be seen on you.** And nations shall come to your Light, and kings to the **Brightness of your Rising.** Lift up your eyes round about you and see !

They all gather themselves together, they come to you. Your sons shall come from afar, and

your daughters shall be carried and nursed in the arms. Then you shall **See and Be Radiant**, and

your heart shall thrill and tremble with ***JOY*** [*at the Glorious Deliverance*] and be Enlarged;

because the abundant wealth of the [*Dead*] Sea shall be turned to you, unto you shall

the nations come with their treasures.

**~ As we are Redeemed by the Blood of JESUS CHRIST, we are Transferred OUT of Darkness.**

**~ Now we are Transferred INTO the KINGDOM of the SON, Full of LIGHT with No Darkness.**

**~ CHRIST, the GLORY is Dwelling in us, So we have the Full Brightness within our Spirit.**

**1 Peter 2: 9 – 10**

But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, HIS Own special people, that

you may Proclaim the Praises of HIM Who called you Out of darkness Into **HIS Marvelous LIGHT**;

who once *were* not a people but *are* now the people of GOD, who had not obtained mercy

but now have obtained Mercy.

**1 Peter 2: 9 (AMPC)**

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [GOD’s] Own purchased,

special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and ***Display the virtues and perfections of*** **HIM** Who called you *Out of darkness* *Into* HIS Marvelous LIGHT.

**~ As Called & Chosen to Be HIS Own People to Proclaim & Display HIS LIGHT of**

 **Marvelous Virtues.**

**The Immeasurable Power of CHRIST’ Authority over All Rule of Darkness, Given us LIGHT.**

**Ephesians 1: 19 – 23 (AMPC)**

And [*so that you can know and understand*] what is the Immeasurable and Unlimited and

surpassing Greatness of HIS Power in and for us who believe, as demonstrated in the Working of

HIS Mighty Strength, Which HE exerted in CHRIST when HE Raised HIM from the dead and

Seated HIM at HIS [Own] Right Hand in the Heavenly [*Places*], Far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and every name that is named [*above every title that can be conferred*],

not only in this age and in this world, but also in the age and the world which are to come.

And HE *has put all things under* HIS Feet and has appointed HIM the universal and supreme HEAD of the Church [*a Headship exercised throughout the church*], Which is HIS Body,

the Fullness of HIM Who fills All in All [*for in that Body lives the Full Measure of* HIM Who

*makes everything complete, and* Who *fills everything everywhere with* HIMSelf].

**1 Thessalonians 5: 3 – 8 (NLT)**

When people are saying, “Everything is peaceful and secure,” then disaster will fall on them as

suddenly *as a pregnant woman’s labor pains begin*. And there will be No Escape.

But you aren’t in the dark about these things, dear brothers and sisters, and you won’t be surprised when

the Day of the LORD *comes like a thief*. For you are All children of the LIGHT and of the Day;

*we don’t belong to darkness and night*. So be on *your Guard*, *not asleep like the others*.

Stay alert and be clearheaded. Night is the time *when people sleep* and drinkers get drunk. But

let us who live in the LIGHT *be clearheaded*, *protected* by the Armor of Faith and Love, and

wearing as our helmet the confidence of our salvation.

**~ In Ephesians 6: 11 – 13, Putting on GOD’s Full Armor to Battle vs Evil Scheming by Enemy.**

**Ephesians 5: 13 – 17**

But all things that are *exposed are made manifest by the* LIGHT, for Whatever makes manifest is Light. Therefore HE says:

**"Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, and CHRIST will give you LIGHT."**

See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, *Redeeming the Time*, because

the *Days are Evil.* Therefore do not be unwise, but *Understand* what the Will of the LORD.

**The Days are Already Evil in Last Hour, Understanding Time & Season of *Darkness on Earth*.**

**Ephesians 5: 16 – 18 (AMPC)**

Making the very most of the Time [*buying up each opportunity*], because the days are evil. Therefore

do not be vague and thoughtless and foolish, but *Understanding* and firmly *Grasping*

What the Will of the LORD is. And do not get drunk with wine, for *that is debauchery*; but

ever be Filled and Stimulated with the [Holy] SPIRIT.

**The Prophetic Time & Season of Deep, Intense Darkness Covering the People is Evident Now.**

**GOD’s People of LIGHT Must Not be Slumbering Spiritually, Without Sensitivity & Alertness**

**~ Awareness of What is Deceptively Evil Under Darkness, but Yet to Be Manifesting in Light.**

**~ Be Awaken Spiritually to Things are Exposed by the LIGHT in the Now *Manifested* Season.**

**~ As People of LIGHT to Understand and *Seize Opportunities Exposed* by the SPIRIT’s Light.**

**~ As HIS People *be Stimulated & Desire* More for In-Filling of the SPIRIT to Follow HIS Lead.**

**COMMUNION**

**READ Revelations 1: 5b – 6**