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## BUY THE TRUTH AND SELL IT NOT

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### SEEKING TRUTH

*“It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search the matter.”* (Prov.25:2) Seeking is a very good thing. Jesus said, *“Ask, and it shall be given to you; seek, and ye shall find, knock, and it shall be opened unto you.”* (Matt.7:7)

What do we seek? We seek to fill a void deep within that we cannot really define. Each human being has a need for someone stronger and more stable than they are; someone that they can trust to protect and keep them safe. This is why many work to develop strong healthy bodies or to exceed in sports. Others educate their minds and find power in knowledge. Man will find a hero to follow or emulate. These tactics are all a quest to keep ourselves independent and to fill the void within.

Beneath the façade that man has built for himself, the true search stems from a need for God. When man was cast out of the garden, he was actually cast from the realm of spirit where God dwells. Isaiah wrote, *“But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.”* (Isa.59:2)

Proverbs 20:27 tells us that *“The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord.”* But when man was cast out of the realm of spirit, the candle went out and man found himself in utter darkness, knowing nothing of the realm of spirit. In Christ, that candle is lit again. Jesus told the church, *“Remember therefore from thence thou art fallen and repent and do the first works ; or else I will come unto thee quickly and will REMOVE THY CANDLESTICK out of its place, except thou repent.”* (Rev.2:5) The sacrifice of Jesus on the cross is the gift of God that

reopens the way to the realm of spirit within. *“And he is the propitiation for our sins; and not for our sins only, but also for the sins of the whole world.”* (I Jn.2:2)

The word “propitiation” means the restoration or reconciliation between man and God. Jesus is the Atonement, the re-conciliator, the Absolver, the Redeemer, the Remedy to our separation from God.

With this accomplished, Jesus rose from the dead and returned to His own in the form of Spirit and by means of His Holy Spirit, He is now changing the heart (nature) that makes man sin into the nature of the Son of God. Through the atonement, man is reconciled to God, but man needs to be transformed into the image of the Son. This comes through the fire.

This is what man is seeking, but alas, because man is in darkness, man seeks God in all the wrong places. When I was a young girl, I had significant dreams that came to pass, but I never thought that they came from God. The God I had been told about existed far, far away. He dwelt in churches and cathedrals and He was surrounded and served by saints who were carefully chosen for their dedication and whose likeness was chiseled in stone for the people to kneel in front of and pray to. This was my idea of God when I was a very young girl; there was something eerie and spooky in all of that. Yet, things were happening in my life that let me know that I was not in control of my destiny. So I began to seek after something that was very vague and unclear. I knew it was something beyond knowledge; it was something that my dreams were made of.

I found myself day-dreaming about a world beyond the grave. It was not a paradise as portrayed by the churches' doctrines; it was just a world much like the world around me, only it was a place of perfect peace and love. It was a place where each person could find what they needed to be happy. It was a place somewhere within me, where I could go and find rest and security.

At the time, I had no idea that this place was actually within me. I had not connected that this place was actually the refuge that took me through the many hard days that were ahead of me. And I certainly did not know that this place was Christ my Rock. By the time I was twenty-four, I had unknowingly invented my own religion. Later, I realized that I was not very far from the truth. In the depth of my soul I had been responding to the still small voice calling me all along.

In 1956 I met Michael and a year later we were married. It was in 1960 that Michael and I both experienced being "born again" and that the Spirit began to stir within me. We found ourselves making the rounds of various churches. We found a "community church" that taught us the basics that we needed at the time. However, the dreams did not stop, they became much more numerous and personal. Someone greater than all the voices that were trying to guide me through the systems of man, was pulling me aside to get my attention. And He did.

It was around 1963 that I dreamed, "*I was in a meeting and a minister was preaching behind the pulpit. He had on a black suit, and I could see the lining of the suit was bright red. It was striking. I knew that I should listen carefully to that man, because the Word he preached would lead me where I had to go.*"

I am not sure how much later it was, but it was not very long, when the neighbor who had led us to her church invited me to come with her to hear a preacher that she was told had a special Word from God. The meeting was at someone's house on the other side of Miami and so the two of us went to search out the matter. The meeting was in someone's living room and the place was full. We sat in

the very back and I was not too impressed with this man who played the guitar and went back and forth shouting his message and getting so excited that his face and neck turned red. He had on a black suit and as it was getting very warm in the room, he slipped the jacket off and folded it neatly on the back of a chair. To my amazement, the lining of the suit was bright red. Just like in my dream. I began to listen carefully to the teachings of that man.

Later I attended every meeting that I could possibly attend. The Word that he spoke indeed rang a bell within me. It was what I had been seeking to hear all along. This man was not preaching anything that I had heard before; he was revealing the truth about the world of spirit all around us and in us. He was indeed bringing to light the place within that I had found in my day-dreaming.

For the next five years I spent a lot of time listening to this man, and the Lord confirmed and explained many things to me through amazing dreams. I did not follow that man, but I followed the light that had been lit within my spirit. The candle of the Lord had been lit and opened a path for me to follow.

### **BUY THE TRUTH AND SELL IT NOT**

*"Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding."* (Prov.23:23) When we first hear the call, we are faced with the truth that we are sinners and need a Savior. We know that this is true. We make it ours; we buy it. As we continue our walk with the Lord, we are faced with more truth, and when we make it our own, we have bought it. The Spirit leads us into all truths. *"Howbeit, when he the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth.."* (Jn.16:13a)

Someone will surely come and try to talk us out of it by offering a counterpart to what we believe. They will try to plant doubts into our minds, but we can find the strength of the Spirit to hold on to the truth that is ours and to not sell out to another. As we hold on to the truth, He reveals more and more as we go. We are in a race to discover all truths and Him who is the Truth. This race is not a competition

against one another; it is a fleeing from the darkness of our carnal minds. It is a taking hold of truth and running with it when we find it. It is being willing to embrace the truth at any cost. This is how WE BUY THE TRUTH. We need to keep in mind that God's thoughts and ways are not our thoughts and ways. And so when the truth comes to us, it often sounds like a lie. We will also find that truth cannot be analyzed or rationalized; it just witnesses in our spirit.

### **DO NOT BUILD A CITY**

Christians have taken hold of a truth and built denominations with it. They have built many "cities" in the land and have become stagnant. They have stopped seeking for more truths, being satisfied to build with what they had found. We must be like Israel in the wilderness. During these forty arduous years, there were times when they came to places with wells of clear water and date palms heavy with fruit. They could have built a city for themselves to dwell comfortably. But the Lord God always moved them on; always kept them on the go.

Abraham also kept moving on, "*..he obeyed and he went out, now knowing whither he went. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles (tents) with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the promise. For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.*" (Heb.11:8b-10)

We are not crossing a literal desert, but the world and all its systems is our wilderness. We move from truth to truth until we reach the time when He, who is the truth, is fully revealed in us. Then as a people, we are becoming that city with foundations, whose maker and builder is God. The Zion of God (sons) will be truth revealed in the earth, "*And many nations shall come and say, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord..*" (Mic.4:2a)

### **WHAT IS TRUTH?**

Pilate asked this question of Jesus, "*What is truth?*" (Jn.18:38a) Jesus answered, "*Thou saith that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear wit-*

*ness to the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.*" (Jn.18: 37b)

These are powerful words from Jesus. Truth is the very cause for which Jesus came into the world! His goal was to open the realm of spirit and to deliver men from their gross darkness. Jesus is the embodiment of truth. He declared boldly, "*I am the way, the truth and the life.*" (Jn.14:6a) The only place to find truth is in the living Christ. The Scriptures testify of Him; they reveal Him. The Scriptures confirm every word that the living Christ speaks, but the Scriptures are only facts and not truth unless they are spoken to our hearts by His Spirit.

The Scriptures reveal the acts of God but it is Christ who reveals the nature of the Father to us. Jesus said, "*No man cometh unto the Father but by me.*" (Jn.14:6b) He is the only One who reveals the Father to us. The Scriptures testify that what He says is true. "*Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.*" (Jn.5:39)

We can always find some Scripture who will prove our point. This is why there are so many doctrines among Christians and so many wars fought in the name of religion. Every concept that man wants to prove can be proven in the Bible. This is why, until we grow up in the Spirit, we are tossed about with every word of doctrine. "*That we therefore be no more children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive.*" (Eph.4:14)

So what are we to do? I would strongly suggest that we keep walking by the guidance of the Holy Spirit and let the Lord reveal Himself to us through each way that He opens for us. Trust Him, our Father will not give us a serpent if we ask for a fish. Our security is not in "doctrine;" our security is in KNOWING HIM. When we know Him, we know His heart and we know His ways; we know the truth and we are made free from all doubts.

Our journey is a spiritual walk of learning Christ. Paul told the church, "*But ye have not so learned Christ; if so be that ye have heard him, and have*

*been taught by him, as the TRUTH IS IN JESUS.”* (Eph.4: 20-21) Paul wants us to know that Christ is the One with whom we have to do. However, it must be said that the learning of Christ begins by hearing Him through the ministries that He has given for the purpose. Paul wrote that Christ gave gifts unto men. And these gifts were ministries.

*“Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men... And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.”* (Eph.4: 8 and 11-12)

These gift ministries have been teaching us and leading us to know Him so that our ears may be attuned to His voice and be taught by Him. An apostolic ministry is one who opens up new paths of truths to our understanding. Paul is certainly an apostle with new truths that astounded the other disciples and still keeps shining a bright light on our path. There have been many more apostles since then. We know that Martin Luther and John Wesley are among the better known apostolic ministries. More recently, we all know those who are still laboring in the field as apostles to the Body of Christ today.

The prophets of our day are more difficult to define. Their work is to direct the apostle but true prophets today are not well received among these. We know that there are evangelists, pastors and teachers still laboring in our midst. I believe that in Christ, one person easily transfers from one ministry to another as the need calls for. God's gift ministries have been working in the Body of Christ but not in the main stream systems of churches.

We are grateful for the ministries that have brought us to know Him. And we are more grateful for the ministries that have had the wisdom to keep us from following after themselves and their ambitious works. Ministries who have the wisdom to set us free from bondage are precious and rare indeed. They have awakened the Spirit of truth within us and opened a new path for our lives. It is no secret

that within each of His people, the Lord has concealed treasures that He reveals little by little. Because we live in a world of darkness, these treasures are beyond compare to anything the world has to offer. They fill the void that could not be filled by any other means but by His presence arising within.

When we first came to the Lord, the Bible became our constant companion. We found much pleasure in the treasures that we discovered in the written Word. We also found great joy in our assembling together and hearing God's Word from His anointed servants. We were lifted up on high when we joined in the high praises of the congregation of saints. Yet as wonderful as this has been, we were still left with needing more.

There are many things that are good for us and that we seek after but none compare to “truth.” Truth is what MAKES US FREE. It does not just SET US FREE, it makes us or transforms us into new free people. Free from sin, free from wondering if this is right or not. And ultimately free from the fear of death and from death itself. Hallelujah! Our God reigns!

### **THE NECESSARY DEATH**

When the Lord Jesus suffered through the death of the cross, and arose from the tomb, He added a totally NEW KIND OF LIFE to the world. Up to that time, there had been the life of the flesh man (beastly life) and the life of the Spirit (Christ) but there had never been a union between the two. Jesus came up out of the tomb, triumphant over death and hell. HE WAS A BRAND NEW CREATURE.

It took both the man of the Spirit (Christ) and the man of the flesh (Adam) for the new creature to be formed. And it took the death of the man Jesus to slay the old Adam man and bring forth a new creature in Christ.

It was for this reason that our God, who had drawn the blueprints of His plan before the foundation of the world, created man to be in His image, and He also created the serpent. By His wisdom, He set them together in the same garden. We know that when God looked at His creation, He declared it to

be “Very Good!” His plan was set in action.

We can conclude that His goal was not to have a people free from sin, enjoying life and having a good time together for eternity. If that had been His purpose for man, He would not have created the serpent with its power to deceive man. God had a much greater plan for His creation than that of having a man and a woman living in an eternal state of innocence and bliss. His goal is to have a man in His own image and likeness. *“God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man.”* (Jms.1:13b). The first man Adam could be tempted and he was. Adam was not up to God's standard.

### THE DEADLY SERPENT

A tree is a source of food. The tree of knowledge of good and evil is in the midst of our soul. It is a source of food for the soul. But God forbids the man to eat of it; God knows that the serpent is in that tree. The serpent that God created is not a little harmless snake in the grass; it's a venomous, deadly rattle snake with its tail up and shaking, ready to strike. And this serpent has a voice, and he talks like a man or perhaps like God himself. Above all, it is a hungry rattler and its food is the dust of the earth. Alas, the man of dust has little chance of survival against this vile creature.

The garden is our soul and spirit, and the deadly serpent is the evil spirit that has the power to deceive us and keep us in the dark. Make no mistake, the deadly power of this deceiver is as real as the most deadly rattle snake that one might face.

The Lord showed me this huge, coiled serpent in a dream. I was faced with that murderous spirit when God set me as a prophet in the midst of a zealous group of Christians. Then God spoke words to me for them, and these words were not in accord with what their leader desired to do. The ministry that God had given me was swiftly crushed. This is the work of the serpent in the midst of the churches today. It is anyone or anything that snuffs out the truth that is presented to them.

When we are first awakened in the Spirit, we begin to seek God in various places. Because we are sin-

cere in our seeking, we join ourselves to assemblies that claim the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and we prosper in these places. We become Sunday School teachers, deacons or youth directors and even preachers. We most likely will sing in the choir.

And so we grow and as we walk through many of the religious experiences they offer, the day comes when we realize that we cannot go any farther with their teachings and so we move on to find other places. We are taught by our experiences in each place, and we are tested when it is time to move on, but all along we are learning to know His voice. This is part of our growing up in Christ.

It is by being part of these organized groups that we learn to discern the voice of the Spirit from the counterfeit voice of the serpent. The “deceiver” is indeed the architect of all these places, barring none. Our carnal nature is also part of the deadly serpent that lures us to these places, this is why he can draw us there. He is the seed of self-righteousness and false humility in us. He has been hiding within our inner man and leading us to worship him, believing that we were worshipping God.

How will this deadly serpent be cast out from all the earth (the people)? The answer is found in the beginning of the book when God cursed the serpent. *“And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.”* (Gen.3:15)

The seed of the woman shall bruise the head of the deadly serpent. The woman is the church and her seed is Christ. The seed of the serpent is the “religious man” who has made himself to be God. He is the one who has usurped the place that belongs to Christ. He is the seed that was in Cain who killed Abel because he was jealous of his sacrifice. He is the seed of the Pharisees that succeeded in crucifying the Lord Jesus. He is the seed that was in king Saul who chased God's anointed through the wilderness and purposed to kill him. The seed of the serpent is the seed that built all the beautiful church

buildings and cathedrals of the world, in the name of Jesus Christ. He is the seed that has controlled the souls of men, even with the words of the Bible.

He is the seed from which stems all the “religions” of the world. And RELIGION does not stop at the churches that are everywhere or the temples and rituals that men have established to appease God. The same “religious” spirit works in man's politics and sports and other ways as well. It is a spirit that wants to devour and bring man into one beast in the image of that serpent.

We see the enmity that is obvious in the politics of man today. There is no way to reconcile the various parties that have been formed with the serpent's imaginations. But the Lord did not leave us without help, He gave the woman another seed and her SEED SHALL BRUISE or crush the head of the serpent. The head is the mindset, this is where the deadly fangs are set, filled with venom, ready to kill.

### **THE SEED OF ABRAHAM**

The promise that God made to Abraham is immeasurable. When he obeyed God and did not hesitate to offer his only son as a sacrifice, he received the promise of a Seed that would save the world.

*“And the angel of the Lord called unto Abraham the second time, And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the Lord, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son: That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand upon the seashore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.” (Gen.22:15-18) “Now to Abraham and to his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.” (Gal.3: 16)*

When Abraham and Isaac, his son, began their three-day journey to mount Moriah for the sacrifice, Isaac asked his father, *“Behold the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?”*

(Gen.22:7b) To which faithful Abraham answered, *“My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering; so they went both of them together.”* (Gen.22:8)

God had sent them to the land of Moriah. This was a range of mountains or hills. The name Moriah actually means The Place of God. After God provided the ram caught in the thicket by its horn, Abraham called the place Jehovah-Jireh (Jehovah provides), *“And Abraham called the name of that place, Jehovah-Jireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen.”* (Gen.22:14)

It was after God tested Abraham with this heart-rending sacrifice that he received the promise of a seed that would save the nations of the world. This promise was sealed with an oath. *“For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he sware by himself, Saying, surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee. And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise.”* (Heb.6:12)

Abraham patiently waited for the natural seed Isaac, the son from whom stems the entire nation Israel. And he waited much longer for the seed that came by Jesus *“For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham.”* (Heb.2:16). By His death Jesus planted that seed in the woman (the church), so that through her the head of the serpent would be crushed and the sons of God would be birthed to deliver creation.

The covenant that God made with Abraham cannot be annulled. Later, God provided His people with the covenant of Law under Moses. Howbeit that covenant did not disannul the promise to Abraham and his seed. *“For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more a promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise.”* (Vs.18) The sons of God are under the Abrahamic covenant, not the covenant of Law with Moses. The promise given to Abraham through his seed is that it will POSSESS THE GATE OF HIS ENEMIES. The enemies of Christ are the SEED OF THE SERPENT which has produced sin and death in all humanity.

Isaac, the seed of Abraham after the flesh, brought forth the nation Israel. These vessels became polluted and did not know God's ways. They could not produce the faith needed to enter into God's abode. *"Forty years was I grieved with this generation, and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways: unto whom I swear in my wrath that they should not enter into my rest."* (Ps.95:10-11 and Heb.3:10-11)

The word "rest" means the "place of His repose or His resting place or abode." This is the spiritual place for our souls. It can only be found by faith. *"And to whom swear he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believe not? So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief."* (Heb.3:18-19)

It is when the true church, the Jerusalem from above enters into God's rest or God's abode that her seed (Christ), will bruise or destroy the head of the serpent. It has been a painful, trying time when our patience has been tested to the nth degree. As it was for Abraham, it has been long for all of us too, but the waiting is coming to an end. The serpent nature that has been sitting as God in the temple of our bodies, is being crushed by the Christ who is arising in all His glory from within.

The woman (the church), is now giving birth to the new creature in Christ. This new creation will bless all the nations of the world. This new man is what the entire creation is groaning for. Just as God told the woman it would be, it is a most harrowing and painful birth. We have need to pray for one another and to encourage one another constantly as we continue in this process. But the manchild is soon to stand fully in the anointing that is His forever and ever. The promise given to Abraham is indeed coming to full fruition in our day.

### **WHY THE FIRE?**

*"And the Lord God said, Behold, the man has become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat and live forever."* (Gen.3:22)

This is very interesting because the Lord God was concerned that after the man had partaken of the tree of good and evil, he could also partake of the tree of life and live forever. From my understanding I deduce that the Lord was saying that man who was now sinful and smelled of death, could in that condition live forever.

As we look at our world today, with the eyes of our natural understanding, we wonder how civilization could have brought so many innocent people into a life of hopeless misery and despair. Even many who still have a country and a roof over their heads are desperately turning to drugs and alcohol and often even suicide to escape the suffering and anguish of their lives.

When we examine the world's history we find that, over time, the powers of evil have squandered the good that man has labored to produce, and were it not for the love of God, they would succeed in bringing total destruction to the human race and its environment as well.

We who are in the Light understand the process that our Lord is using to work out His plan for the world, but still evil is flourishing everywhere and conquering the good that man is producing each day. The condition of man's hearts and of his world has been on a downward spiral ever since Eve yielded to the serpent.

And this downward spiral is ever spinning out of man's control into the depths of a pit that is bottomless. If man was to continue forever in this condition, the devastation and the suffering would be unbearable and inconceivable. This is why God *"Drove out the man, and he placed at the East of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life."* (Gen.3:24)

Man would not live forever in this condition lest he destroy himself and God's entire earthly creation. This is why Jesus said that at the end of the age, evil would get so bad that, *"...except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but*

*for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.”* (Matt.24: 22) God's plan was never to let the waster destroy His creation, it was to bring His creation to a higher level of life through death. As we mentioned earlier, God's ways are not our ways, neither are His thoughts our thoughts. But we have the mind of Christ and we are now coming into enough maturity that we are able to understand these things. *“For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.”* (I Cor.2:16)

### **A SEA OF GLASS MINGLED WITH FIRE**

*“And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, **stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.**”*(Rev.15:2)

This is truly a picture of VICTORY! We know that the sea represents the area of the untamed, wicked soul driven by fear and re-acting through unpredictable and uncontrollable emotions. *“But the wicked is like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.”* (Isa.57: 20-21)

The sea is the dwelling place of the beast, the carnal mind, the flesh and all its lusts. The sea is the area of our unbridled soul. The sea is very much a part of every man and woman born to the first Adam. Each one of us have to do with our soul. Jesus admonishes, *“In your patience possess ye your souls.”* (Lk.21:19)

But we have other dwelling places within our beings, *“Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! For the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.”* (Rev.12:12)

We can dwell in the earth as well. The earth is tied with the sea. Our earth is the realm of the body. This is where the lusts of the flesh have their throne. It is what feels good or bad according to the demands of the flesh. It is a place driven by the outer man. Our

earth responds to the powers of our “sea” or of our “heavens.” Obviously, it is in the “heavens” that we can rejoice. When we dwell in the realm of “spirit” within, we have authority over our earth and our sea. Our heavens is the realm of our “conquering.” It is from there that we overcome the beast nature, and his image or all the demands that the beast nature requires of us so that we fit the mold of the world.

When John saw us stand on the sea of glass mingled with fire, he saw a people who had overcome the beast nature of the Adam man. Jesus went to the cross and opened the way to our overcoming the nature that we were trapped into. Because He took away the guilt and condemnation of the law, and because He is the propitiation for our sins, we are forgiven every time we slip and sin. This gives us the possibility to keep going and follow the Holy Spirit as He leads us into the fire that purifies us as we overcome the nature that makes us sin in the first place.

Jesus Christ on the cross gives us the power to continue moving with the Spirit of God and to overcome the sin nature. We are reconciled to God through the cross of Jesus. And now it is Christ living in us who overcomes the sin nature. We are being saved by His life. *“For if when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.”* (Rom.5:10)

The day is at hand when the vision that John saw on Patmos has become reality in our very lives. Each time we harness our surging emotions, we enter the rest of the Spirit, and we stand as it were on the sea of glass. It is when there is no wind at all, no storms anywhere, that the sea actually looks like glass. When all our emotions (soul) have been subdued, the storms of our lives are under His control and we stand as it were on the sea of glass. Our sea of glass reflects the peace of God within us. It is mingled with the fire of His love that brought us to the day of full victory!

Because of His love, *Jackie Caporaso*