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"But when the Comforter is come whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceeds from the Father, he shall testify of me: And you also shall bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning." John 15: 26-27

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JESUS THE FULNESS OF THE GODHEAD BODILY

PRAISE GOD FOR THE NEW BODY OF GOD. Blessed be God who sent into the world a New Body – a New Man – a New Creation – a New Race of beings. Glory to God, and may His Name be forever honored and magnified in Jesus Christ, and for Jesus Christ, who is the Fulness of the Godhead BODILY. Wonderful! Wonderful! Beyond all conceptions of the human mind: "God was in Christ" -Christ was in God; "*I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me."* His chosen disciples were to believe that. Now shall God's true children arise on the earth full of the ever living knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, The New Man – The Godhead Bodily. Col 2:9

PRAISE GOD FOR THIS LIVING BREAD, which a man shall eat of and live forever. God's Bread is the knowledge of Himself, given by Him whom He sent to do His Will, express His Will, show forth His Will, manifest His Will – BODILY. This Bread came down from Heaven. All who eat of it become Heavenly. This One who was The-Fulness-of-The-Godhead Bodily said, "*As the Living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father, even so he that eateth me shall live by me."* Oh, the wonder of His Words! Think of it! Just as Jesus lived by the Father – SO you shall live by JESUS. How? By KNOWING HIM. Jesus said*, "I know the Father."* Give God Glory for such words!

PRAISE GOD FOR THAT BODY BROKEN FOR YOU. Glory and praise be unto God for the broken body of Jesus which gives Life to the world – the life of heaven ON THE EARTH – The Life of GOD in man. Praise God for the knowledge of the Crucified One, that knowledge which becomes food for those who are born of His Spirit: for he that is "*born of the Spirit is Spirit."* Oh, how you should hunger for, and thirst for – LONG FOR – that knowledge which lasts unto Eternal Life! Oh, how you should seek after Him, and the knowledge of him, with all your heart, and all your soul, and all your mind, and ALL YOUR BODY! Why don't you praise God, and bless Him, and worship Him, as the first purpose of your existence? Think of it! His BODY BROKEN FOR YOU! Oh, thank Him! Thank Him! Beloved, THANK HIM!!

PRAISE GOD FOR THE COMMUNION OF HIS BODY. Hallelujah, Hallelujah! All who choose to feed on Jesus are invited, of God, to COME to the Feast of Fellowship with Him who is the Fulness of the Godhead Bodily. Communion – Fellowship – Sharing – Partaking: all these are meant by the call of God to eat of Jesus' flesh and drink of His Blood. This means that BY HIS SPIRIT you shall share in His Body, His Blood, His very Life. Divinely speaking this is a normal mystery of Creation: it is a working of Creative Love. What a prospect lies before you! That of ceaseless Thanksgiving for God has called you to SHARE IN the Body of Jesus by the Power of the Indwelling, Possessing Holy Spirit. Come, let us worship, and adore, and bless, and honor this Glorious Father God whose Holy Will is a Lovingkindness-mercy seeking to make you JUST LIKE JESUS. You have hardly begun, but feebly yet, to praise your God and give Him the Glory. His Body was broken for you, that you might partake of Him, and live in communion and fellowship with Him in the Fulness of God.

PRAISE GOD FOR HIS GLORIOUS BODY, and for the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself. Glory to change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body. This is not for those who "mind earthly things," but for those whose Homeland is in heaven -who belong to,

and live for, the commonwealth of heaven. Glory to God who fashions that new body of glory by a peculiar process: "*while we look not at the things which are seen but at the things which are not seen"* -LOOKING UNTO JESUS – LOOKING ALWAYS UNTO JESUS. Eating Him and looking at Him! (spiritually, we eat what we love and hunger for.) Thus changed into the same image from glory to glory, BY THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD. Glory to God! *"We look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself."* Phil. 3:20-21.

Glory to God! Glory to God! Join us in the cry of our hearts: "Subdue me! Subdue me! Oh my Glorious King, UNTO THYSELF!" "All hail the Power of Jesus' Name, we at Thy feet do fall." With Thanksgiving and Praise we crown Thee Lord. BE THOU OUR ALL IN ALL.

-From a 1967 Feed My Lambs -FH

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O Jesus Thou most wonderful,
Thou conqueror renowned.
Thou sweetness most ineffable,
In Whom all joys are found!

When once Thou visitest the heart,
Then truth begins to shine,
Then earthly vanities depart,
Then kindles love divine.

O Jesus, Light of all below,
Thou Fount of Living fire,
Surpassing all the joys we know,
And all we can desire.

Thee, Jesus, may our voices bless
Thee may we love alone;
And ever in our lives express
The Image of Thine own.

By Bernard of Clairvaux 1153 A.D.

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COMMENTS ON CONSECRATION

Every child of God ought to say when saved, "I belong to Jesus, and I will from now on do all those things that please Him."

Some people offer things, not their lives, but in consecration you give yourself to do just what Jesus wants you to do. It doesn't say in the Bible: "Do always the things that please yourself." It is, "What wouldst Thou have me do, Jesus?" Consecration is obedience – just the good obedience of a child to the Father. A real consecrated life always aims to please Him.

The consecrated soul is ready to offer the life, to take up the cross, and to follow Jesus to Calvary. Many have not picked up the real cross which is, "What is your will, Jesus? I choose to do only the will of God from now on." Crucifixion is to do always the things that please Him. Don't use the expression, "Well, I suppose I must die," as if the Lord's will would be hard. When the Father expresses His will and you call it, "dying," you will hurt your soul. The will of God is precious to the lover of God. The cross is glory; it only looks heavy to the one who is not bearing it.

If you won't do the will of God, you should repent, get under the blood. Go right on when you fail. You will win out by trying to obey when you don't want to obey. Simply try till you do do it well.

By and by something happens -the mystery of the Gospel comes. Finally the presence of God becomes so great that your flesh will not bother you anymore. The will of God is that the ultimate shall be God: the indwelling life, the call, the joys, the sorrows, etc., shall each be proposed by God.

After crucifixion the harmonies of God are greater. Do you belong to Jesus?

-Martha W. Robinson

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THE CALL OF LOVE

O My beloved, abide under the shelter of the lattice for I have betrothed you to Myself, and though you are sometimes indifferent toward Me, My love for you is at all times as a flame of fire. My ardor never cools. My longing for your love and affection is deep and constant. …

I love you. And if you can always, as it were, feel My pulse beat, you will receive insight that will give you sustaining strength. I bore your sins and I wish to carry your burdens. You may take the gift of a light and merry heart, for My love dispels all fear and is a cure for every ill. Lay your head upon My breast and lose yourself in Me. You will experience resurrection life and peace; the joy of the Lord will become your strength; and wells of salvation will be opened within you. -Frances J. Roberts

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FATHER, SON, HOLY SPIRIT and

Many are the amazing and beautiful accounts in the Bible of God's divine work among His people. One of the sweetest is that of Abraham, his servant Eliezer, Isaac his son, … and Rebekah. Abraham's faith had been tested many times. His trust in God had grown through the testings. His walk with God had deepened.

Now Abraham had Isaac the son of promise, and he had Eliezer his faithful servant. But Sarah, Abraham's wife, Isaac's mother, was gone. They grieved.

Gen. 24. *And Abraham was old, and well stricken in age: and the Lord had blessed Abraham in all things. And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, "Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh: and I will make thee swear by the Lord, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell: But thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac."* The LORD is GOD of heaven and earth! HE is the AUTHORITY and required NEED in ALL and for ALL. Abraham had been through many things and found his GOD was faithful. Eliezer had witnessed the Lord in Abraham's life.

Eliezer, having experienced much in life, asked a reasonable question: "What if…?" He was careful and thorough in his servant role. Abraham was, it seems, requiring faith of Him. -Faith in Abraham? -Faith in the God Abraham loved and served! Eliezer knew HIM. Abraham affirmed Isaac's call to the promised land. "*The Lord God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, "Unto thy seed will I give this land;" He shall send His angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto thy son from thence."* Abraham had faith in God.

Abraham knew that there would be choices to be made by the people involved in this endeavor he was sending his servant to do. But his servant was faithful and trustworthy. His servant loved his God.

"*And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him concerning that matter.* Faith prevailed. Trust was in the TRUE ONE. GOD!

It was quite a journey to be made to get to the city of Nahor-Haran. Much preparation was made. Things needed to be done right. Eliezer was diligent. Somehow it seems that his servant's heart set him free from self- occupation. They traveled.

They came to a well. It was time. Eliezer prayed: *"O Lord God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, send me good speed this day, and show kindness unto my master Abraham. Behold, I stand here by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water: And let it come to pass that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: let the same be she that thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shown kindness unto my master."*

Eliezer asked kindness from the Lord for his master, Abraham. No thought for himself? His blessing was to serve. -Evidence of God's love! Now a bride for Isaac must be chosen by God. Eliezer's request of God was detailed regarding the right woman.

And … behold, Rebekah came out. She "hasted" to serve this stranger in need. Rebekah met the call and more. She was humble, kind and serving, showing respect, though her family was prominent in the land. Eliezer watched her quietly to see what the Lord was doing. He gave her gifts and asked of her family. She was Abraham's brother, Nahor's,

granddaughter, -truly kin. Eliezer "*bowed down his head, and worshipped the Lord."*

Eliezer, being welcomed, spent that evening and night with Rebekah's family. Without delay He shared clearly with them of Abraham's request that he find family in search for a wife for Isaac. He shared Abraham's words to him: *"The Lord, before whom I walk, will send his angel with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house…"* He had prayed. He'd found Rebekah. He asked their consent, or not. They answered, "*The thing proceeds from the Lord: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good. Behold, Rebekah is before thee, take her, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the Lord hath spoken." …when Abraham's servant heard their words, he worshipped the Lord, bowing himself to the earth. … And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, "Wilt thou go with this man? And she said, I will go."* She believed. … They journeyed.

And Isaac went out to meditate-pray in the field at the eventide: and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, the camels were coming. And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel. For she had said unto the servant, What man is this that walks in the field to meet us? And the servant had said, It is my master: therefore she took a vail, and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done. And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

This account in Genesis, so personal, full of faith, commitment, and worship speaks to our hearts today. Abraham- the Father; Isaac- the Son; the Servant Eliezer- the Holy Spirit. And Rebekah- the called and chosen bride.

Truly God the Father is preparing His people to be a bride for His Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. However, *many are called but few are chosen.* Why? Few choose. We must answer the call, go with Him. Please, may we not delay, but with all our hearts say and live: yes to Jesus!

It was God our Father who instituted marriage. He performed that first relationship and union in the Garden. Jesus' ministry began with that first miracle at the wedding in Cana. He turned the water into wine. He blessed. "When a man and a woman have chosen each other and have come to that moment when they sincerely and publicly join in this covenant for life, they lay down on the altar a holy sacrifice to God, to each other; and to humanity. … to believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, it is a union in the Lord … intended for the happiness and welfare of humankind."* -*Baker's Wedding Handbook

Our union with Jesus is much more. Is. 61:10. *I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decked himself with ornaments and as a bride adorned herself with jewels.* Jer. 2:32. *Can a maid forget her ornaments or a bride her attire? Yet my people have forgotten me days without number.* Rev. 21:9 *And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me saying, "Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb's wife."* Rev. 22:17. *And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that hears say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.