



Places In The Father's Heart

That reach out and touch, to bring times of refreshing...

Refreshing Times

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Fabric of Heaven by Gerri

There is a fabric unlike any other known to man. It is not woven by machine or the fingers of mankind. It is woven in the courts of Heaven by angels. When I brush against it, I'm amazed at its texture. It is softer than any silk; more pure than the finest linen. It carries a fragrance unlike any known on earth. When I

lay my face upon it, I am changed and I am raised to yet another place in God's glory realm. It caresses me like nothing else and I am enfolded in the layers of its grace. The finest comforts of this earth cannot



compare with the comfort I find in the folds of this fabric. Here the fears of this world are unknown and peace and total rest of spirit, soul and body become my treasures. I long to remain pressed against this remarkable, extraordinary fabric, soaking in all that it contains for it is the robe of righteousness worn

by My Heavenly Father. It is only when I sit in His lap, my head pressed against His breast, my ear listening to the beat of His heart that I experience the love that emanates not only from Him but even from the very fabric of His robe.

He beckons us all to come to this place, to experience the extravagance of His love; to feel His heart beat, to hear His voice speak, to know Him more intimately than we even know ourselves. There is simply no other place I'd rather be. Everything I am, everything I have,

becomes but a distant memory when I crawl up in His lap, lay my head on His breast and experience the softness of the fabric of His robe as it enfolds around me engulfing me in His loving Presence. It is here I am changed from glory to glory!

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God's Kingdom Economy ~ by Gerri

Recently we have seen several prophecies concerning the world's financial condition come across our desks from various streams in the Body of Christ. It is wise when we see this happen to stop and take note of what the Spirit is speaking.

One key area that is being addressed by the Holy Spirit now is 'fear not when earthly economy appears to be taking a nose-dive.' The recent word from the governmental powers is the 'r' word—recession. This causes great unrest within not only our own nation, but around the world. Are we in a recession or are we not? Are we headed in that direction or are we not? Hands begin wringing and fear abounds. There are even some reports on banks now closing their doors just as they did during the great depression of 1939.

Stop! Let's hear what the Spirit is speaking to us! I asked Father if there was anything that He would like to speak to me regarding this present seeming world crises. This is what I believe He shared with me.

*"Daughter, you must realize that there is the world financial system and then there is Kingdom Economy, which is My system. Those who press diligently into intimacy with me; those who find true peace and rest and know how to walk in that position; those who have made building My kingdom a priority with their time, talents, finances and love will **NEVER** have to be a part of whatever happens within the world's financial system. Please remember how I have made provision for My chil-*

dren in the past. My Word is full of examples where My Kingdom Economy has provided in times of famine, pestilence, war, drought, and many other earthly tragedies. I AM is fully able and desires to care well for His children.

If your eyes are on the world's system, your focus will cause you to walk in fear, anxiety and turmoil. If your eyes are on My Kingdom Economy and if you have sown into that economy, you have nothing to fear. I have always cared for My children in the past and I will always care for My children in the future. Remember My word says, "I have never seen the righteous forsaken, nor his children begging bread."

We do live in perilous times. Beloved, things will wax worse and worse in the world around us, including financial conditions. I am choosing to keep my focus tightly reigned on My Father and remember always that 'Daddy is in charge!' I love the way His Kingdom Economy works. I can never out-give Him, no matter how hard I try. It is a win/win situation in His economy!

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For you to be famous and successful with your skills is a hollow measure of success. I bless you with the highest pursuit that mankind can attain to: experiencing the presence of God. Arthur Burk

"BREAKTHROUGH!"

Things are about to change! It is a dawning of a new day and a new day is dawning! During this season, there are some things you will have to wrestle with alone, and unless you wrestle with those things, you will not see the blessing that God has downloaded into the equation of destiny, purpose and time manifested. There is a place in God where the space is big enough for ONLY you! Once you are there, you must press into His Secret Place. In this place you will have the greatest opportunity to wrestle with life-altering issues in prayer. Like Jacob, you will experience a sense of aloneness. It is the safest place to spend what I call "me-time." Everyone needs "me-time" — a time for you to discover who you really are. A time where you are not defined by what you do or did, but who God originally designed you to be. Do not allow others to define who you are. You are fearfully and wonderfully made. Do not mistake your aloneness with loneliness. There is a difference between loneliness and aloneness. Loneliness occurs when there is an involuntary and obvious absence of people who contribute to your sense of belonging. Aloneness, on the other hand, is a voluntary state wherein a person positions himself/herself in a place of solitude and separation. In this text, Jacob chose solitude, so that he could wrestle with his destiny and future. Excerpt from a word by Dr. Cindy Trimm

Sticky Note Quandary #2 ~ by Roger

Here are more sticky notes to ponder!

- **The lost can receive from God's Word. The religious can receive from God's Word. Christians can receive from God's Word and we can all get a different interpretation. Our relationship with God and our commitment to Him will influence how we interpret His word. Our woundedness and our need for control can also influence how we interpret His Word. Our family background and/or tradition can also influence how we interpret His word.**

Comment: It's easy to see why there are so many different denominations. However, in spite of this, there is one potential unifying ingredient more powerful than all the rest ~ a personal intimate encounter with your Heavenly Father and His unconditional love for you. It's astounding how His true love coming into our lives can transition our belief system.

- **When problems surface in our lives they can reveal our strengths and/or our weaknesses. Either way it is an opportunity to be grateful to the Lord.**

Comment: The revealing of our strengths can bring encouragement. The revealing of our weaknesses should also bring encouragement because it presents us with the opportunity for healing, growth, and change. Celebration is in order in either case.

- **Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 14:40 where he said that all things should be done decently and in order have been used inappropriately by some of us to control our environment and our comfort zone. In doing so, we have also hindered God so He is not at liberty to express Himself in our midst except within our boundaries. We demand our way when Isaiah 55:8-9 says that His ways are not our ways and His thoughts are not our thoughts.**



Comment: What might happen if we invited Him and released Him to come and dwell amongst us any way He wants to?

- **Have you ever seen a prodigal come home to a Pharisee? Religious pride can turn away the very people that God is calling home.**

Comment: If this hurts, say "Thank You, Father."

- **The truly proud man enjoys his enemy's loss as much as his own victory.**

Comment: Jesus' instruction to love our enemies can disappear in an ocean of self indulgence.

- **On the road to fulfilling our destiny and receiving God's promises, we must embrace His process.**

Comment: Sadly, many Christians are satisfied with just being saved. This tragically leaves destinies unfulfilled and God's promises waiting in the wings.

In closing our sticky note romp for now, I do want to encourage you to reconsider our purpose for being. First of all I believe Father created us for relationship with Him and each other. Since we are created spirit, soul and body I believe all three should be active in our relationships. We have all experienced body and soul relationships. Sadly many of us have been totally unaware that our personal spirit should be active in relationships (including me!). I do not pretend to understand what all that means exactly, because it is new to me also, but I believe it is our ability to connect spiritually that makes true intimacy possible. Father, help us understand.

The second reason we are here is to be in dominion over Father's creation and all the works of the enemy. Is that a big enough challenge for you? I believe the reason we are not successful at dominion is because we are not successful at intimate relationships. I hope this prompts many questions for our destiny awaits those who will pursue.

Blessings,

Roger

Book Review—Sacrifice the Leader by Paul Cox

Sacrifice the Leader—When Everything Is Your Fault

Here is a word from Paul Cox regarding the writing of this work:

“It is now over twenty years ago that the Lord first planted the seed in my mind for my original book, *Sacrifice the Pastor*. As a Baptist pastor, I had noticed a tendency of individuals telling me confidential issues of their lives and then within a few months, they either turned against me or left the church. I realized that in some way I had become the sacrifice for their sins, rather than the Lord Jesus.

Now, over twenty years later, I understand that this is not just a transaction that takes place with pastors. As compassionate Christian leaders, wherever we are, listening to the hurts of others, we can be placed in a position to become a sacrifice.

This can happen as businessmen, therapists, school teachers, principals, small group leaders, church staff professionals, a friend or parents who listen with a kind heart. Therefore, this book is not only relevant for pastors, but also for all those who find themselves in any leadership position.”

When we read the commentary on this work, we realized that we most likely were prime targets for what Paul was talking about. This is a good read, somewhat technical in places, but very informative and helpful regardless of the leadership position you may find yourself in.

Becoming someone’s scapegoat is NOT fun. It brings on great false responsibility and opens the door for the enemy to play in your backyard. Paul does an excellent job in scripturally defining the scapegoat syndrome and then helps us find our way out of this maze or better yet, prevents us from getting there in the first place. We highly recommend this work to you.

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One final note. We recommended THE SHACK last month in our review. The comments we have had back are A ++++++. If you haven’t read this work, please try and get a copy. You won’t be sorry!!



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