



# Places In The Father's Heart

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

## Refreshing Times

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### *The Reward of Truly Knowing Father - by Roger*

George Washington was the first President of the United States. Did you know him? Were you privileged to have a personal relationship with him? Well, obviously not. However, his life is well documented, so if you desire to know about him, you can research and read that which has been written and learn a great deal about the man. If you would choose to do that, when you finished your study would you then declare that you know him? I think not. You could certainly say that you know about him because of your study, however, your study can in no way be construed as a personal relationship with the man.

Sadly many Christians live out this same scenario with Father God. If asked, do you know Father, the quick, typical response is 'of course I know Him.' Some even seem offended by the question. Yet over time we have repeatedly discovered these same people did not know Father at all. They knew about Him. From Bible study, teaching and preaching they learned about Him. That became the basis for their relationship with their Heavenly Father. The problem is they

never moved into developing a personal, intimate, life-giving exchange of thoughts, ideas, hopes, dreams, pain and disappointments with the Person of Father God. Unlike George Washington who is dead and unavailable for personal contact, our Heavenly Father is personally available 24/7 for all who wish to come for that personal relationship.

Biblical knowledge about Him is not a legitimate substitute for a personal, intimate relationship with Him.

Biblical knowledge about Him and His love for you is naturally an encouraging start, but if you stop there I believe you will miss His intended blessing of a life-changing, dramatic encounter with Him. Are you available? If you will pursue Him, He will pursue you. James 4:8.

Head knowledge about Him will not meet our deep seated need for love and affection. In other words, head knowledge will not satisfy our love hunger. Head knowledge can change our mind, but our heart will remain needy.

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**Roger & Gerri**

### Prayer Ministry

*"People seldom improve when they have no other model but themselves to copy after."*

*~Oliver Goldsmith*

*We need each other to honestly speak the truth in love to each other so that we improve character, integrity and our intimacy with Father.*

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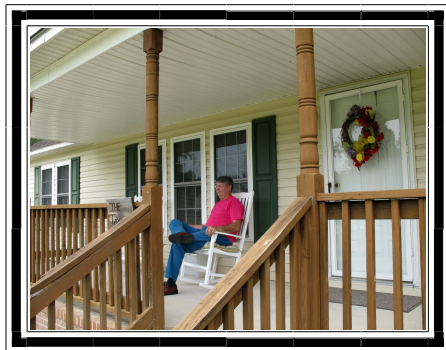
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**Life is love and love is life. ~ Roger Taylor, 2002**

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We must experience our Father as a Person not just a concept. Expressing your heart's desire to know Him and pressing to make that connection is essential. Father is the ultimate source of life and love. In my opinion we cannot be complete without Him. You may say, 'but I know Jesus and I have been baptized in the Holy Spirit.' That is wonderful and necessary, but our God is a Trinity. Jesus is our beginning, not our end. He is our introduction to the family of God. We had life before we were saved, but life compared to what? Most of us knew love before we got saved, but love compared to what? I believe life and love are much bigger than our physical existence here on earth. I believe the enormity of Father's provision of life and love extends endlessly into our eternal future. Developing a personal, intimate love relationship with Father God will move us along life's pathway of eternal life.

The reward of truly knowing Him is life and love beyond our comprehension. Life is love; the value of life is found in love. The power to live is found in love. The reward in life is found in love. The success in life is found in love. Love is life. Love empowers life. Love empowers relationship. Love makes intimacy possible. Love creates an atmosphere for success. Love empowers faith and trust. The true experience of life is the receiving and giving of love and the receiving and giving of love is life's reward.



*A Barrier or a Shower Liner by WR*

I was praying this morning regarding 'walls', like the walls and barriers we build in our hearts. I remembered some of the walls that I had built in my own heart over the years ~ now I pray that not even a shower liner will be between me and Father. I built those walls, just as others in my family have built their own walls to keep pain, hurt, shame and disappointment out.

This morning the Holy Spirit spoke clearly to me and said that those walls didn't keep those things out of my life ~ actually it captured them and held them in me. When the Holy Spirit broke down those walls while I was in prayer ministry it was like when President Ronald Regan stood before the former Berlin Wall and said, "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down these walls." The result was that those walls I'd build in my heart came down and it let the pain, hurt, shame and disappointment OUT! Walls don't keep stuff out; walls keep stuff in our hearts. We become prisoners within our own walls.

WR ~ Maryland

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We have watched this brother make remarkable progress in his healing journey through prayer ministry. He came a broken man and today he is recovered and restored, and back on his field of service for the Lord. Father is faithful!

Christianity makes men better fathers, according to a study by Bradford Wilcox, a sociology professor at the University of Virginia. Wilcox examined three national studies and found that men who attended church regularly had stronger marriages and were more involved in the lives of their children. Seventy percent of church-attending men reported being "very happy" in their marriages, while only 59 percent of men who did not attend church reported being happy in their marriages. Christian fathers also spent more one-on-one time with their children and were 65 percent more likely to hug and praise their children. [onenewsnow.com, 6/30/08] The Ministry Report ~ Week In Review.

## *Prayer and Intercession ~ by Gerri*

Frequently, I see more and more abuse in prayer and intercession. The more I get to know my Father, the more I realize that I often fail to seek Him first even in my prayer times. Intimacy produces close conversation. Gals might say intimacy produces chatty talks with Daddy. Guys might better describe their times of intimacy with Father as guy talk! However we may process what we call our prayer times, if we walk intimately with Father we will hold intimate talks with him...be it with many words or few. I take every need I have to Him...the need for a parking place right downtown to the biggest need I have pending on my plate at any given time. Some may call that foolish, but I know that Daddy cares about every single detail of my life and I try to talk to him that way. That's what my personal prayer life looks like.

From the standpoint of prayer ministry which Roger and I do together, my prayer to the Father on behalf of the prayer ministry client looks very different. I try and pray being led by the Holy Spirit in such a way that the one receiving the prayer is touched with Father's love and perhaps, if necessary, the conviction of the Holy Spirit. Secondly, I try and teach others how to pray that same prayer for themselves. We attempt to demonstrate and then lead the one receiving ministry how to pray for themselves and others as well.

In group or corporate prayer, the tone looks even different. I always try and follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. I make every attempt to listen carefully for the 'flow' of the prayer that is being prayed and pray when my heart jumps with the anointing from Father.

Finally, and probably what is deepest on my heart is what I see happening all too frequently with intercessors and intercessory prayer groups, and that is the issue of bearing false burdens. When we enter into this type of prayer, we must approach it with God's burden, not our own burden. Often I have seen very well-meaning people take up a burden that has

not been given by Father and in doing so, they sow with the wind. In other words, their prayer, intercession and fasting produces nothing but wind. Isaiah 26:18 says, "**We have been with child, we have been in pain; we have, as it were, brought forth wind; we have not accomplished any deliverance in the earth, nor have the inhabitants of the world fallen.**"

It is imperative that we have God's heart in a matter or we will move forth in presumption. In cases like this the participants either do not know or do not take the time with Father to identify with what He was doing in the situation, but rather they enter straight into intercession and get lost in it. In doing so, the need that truly is at hand gets lost in the mix. The end result is that we do not see any fruit of our intercession and many come away from the experience confused and disillusioned. This produces no good fruit for the Kingdom.

Many things effect the outcome of our prayer. One of the biggest things is TIME. God knows exactly when in His time frame that something is to be birthed through prayer. If it comes before its season, it is like the child that is born premature. It will be much more susceptible to destruction and death than that which is born in the right season.

There is another key to our prayer life and that is the heart that is righteous before the Lord. So many things in our Christian lives are successful only when our heart attitude is right. If we carry offense, unforgiveness, bitterness, anger, and resentment, just to name a few, we will see our prayers highly hindered. Do we give because we 'have' to or because we 'want to'? Do we allow abandonment and rejection to filter our emotional well being or do we deal with those issues through the healing of our woundedness? Remember, Father is always looking at our hearts.

When we see that the **burden is right** and the **timing is right**, and **our hearts are right**, we will see the glory of God and His manifest Kingdom come to earth in our midst. There is nothing like it to compare! Father, let Your Kingdom come on earth today just as it is in Heaven through our prayers.

*The faithful prayers of a righteous man availeth much.*

### How to Reach Us

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### **Shyness =**

**Fear, Insecurity, Intimidation, Self-awareness**

We can never fully enjoy Love until this issue is dealt with. We must answer the questions, Why am I fearful? Why am I insecure? Why am I easily intimidated and why am I so aware of myself? Prayer ministry can help.

## *Endorsement Testimony ~ by Sandra Fullilove, Nashville, Tennessee*

Roger and Gerri, you truly minister from and into those Places In The Father's Heart. It is often hard to put into words the things that touch the spirit so deeply. Your ministry and lives have poured such refreshing waters of cleansing love into me that it has washed me from the inside out—my spirit, my soul and flowing out to my body. Of all the ministers and ministries I have ever come into contact with, I have never encountered so much of Abba, Papa, and Father's love—such love, joy, peace, integrity and loving truth. I know you're not perfect (yet :-)) but the pure love of Father God, truth, integrity and honor that flows from your hearts and ministry is such a rich taste of the Lord. He has flowed through you in a powerful way to minister Father's heart and love to the deep, deep wounded places in my heart from my childhood and from years of abuse in ministry. I have been so healed and set free through your prayer ministry and I continue to grow every day in His love for me. Forgiveness and LOVE are such an awesome thing!! Oh such JOY!!! I FEEL SO SET FREE!!!! NO MORE DEPRESSION!!!! I may be sitting at my computer but on the inside I'm jumping,

shouting, running and dancing as I type this!! I am so overjoyed by His love and His goodness!!!!

Everyone, most specifically those in leadership, need your ministry. I pray that the Lord will multiply you with spiritual offspring to reach the four corners of the earth with the same heart and message Jesus came to bring - the Father's love. You are truly His disciples of love. I honor you both and highly recommend and endorse your ministry to all.

With sincere gratitude and love,

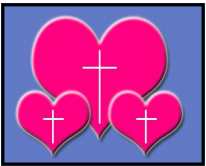
Sandra Fullilove, Fullilove Ministries, Nashville, TN.

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Thank you, Sandra, for this testimony and your endorsement. Watching you grow and be healed through your prayer ministry has been our blessing and we say [to God be the glory, great things HE has done!](#)

Resting in His Embrace,

*Roger and Gerri*



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**Jesus is the way... Father is the destination!**