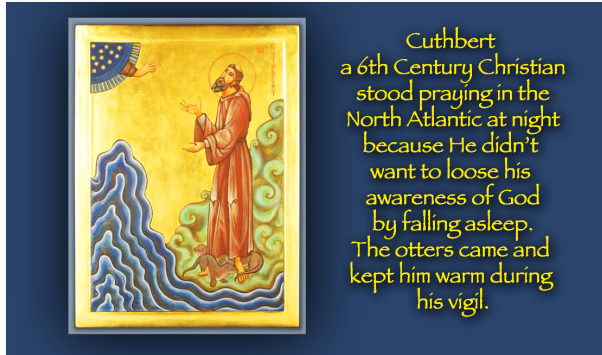


## Living Everyday in the Realms of Glory

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The Lord's sweet presence and counsel is with us, Heartdwellers. I wanted to bring something up before I got into the message. There's a young man by the man of Douglas, 25 years old, who had a four-wheeler accident and is in critical condition in Albuquerque. He's been unresponsive ever since the accident and they don't think he's going to make it. And he's unsaved, so we're asking for prayers for him. Thank you.

The Lord brought something up that's in a TOTALLY different vein than we normally talk about. So, tonight – well, it was really funny how I started out the day today. Some of you may have noticed, or may not have noticed, my last post was around 10:30 in the morning yesterday. And...that meant that I didn't ever go to sleep. So, I went to bed, and I woke up and it was 7:00 and I thought, 'Great. It's 7:00! But...wait a minute...what day....' Is it 7:00 in the morning or 7:00 at night??' So, I woke up Ezekiel and I said, "Honey, Is it 7:00 in the morning or 7:00 at night??" I said that because he went to bed after I did. And he said, "It's 7:00 at night."

So, my schedule is WAY turned upside down and backwards. From that point on, I was really struggling to stay away, I'm still struggling to stay awake...so you'll understand a little bit about this dialogue between the Lord and I.

After some time of worship, He told me that He wanted to speak to me, so I came and sat at my computer and He said,

*"Welcome back."*

Oh Lord, press me to your heart.

*"Where've you been all this time?"*

Fighting to stay awake and concentrate on You.

*"Well, good job. Here we are and I love you."*

I love You, too, sweet Jesus, forever and forever. Oh, how I wish I could love on You constantly.

*"Me, too."*

That's a gift isn't it?

*"It is."* He said with a twinkle in His eye.

Jesus, would please give me the gift of endless adoration of You?

*"Oh, such a request makes My Heart swoon. You must give up all created things to be free enough to be with Me on that level. Those who are willing to pass by their attachments to what people think, how they look in the eyes of man, what they enjoy in foods and entertainments – those to whom the whole world is dead, I can grant this gift, if they seek after it."*

It would seem to me, Lord, that there are people like that in the world. I know that even Ezekiel and I have felt that way at different times.

*"Well, there are... But they don't desire Me, and being so caught up in Me that they voice that desire. Or even consider asking it.*

But why?

*"Why do you think?"*

They feel unworthy?

*"That's part of it. But partly because they never imagined that a gift like that could be had. And I am here to tell them it can."*

Lord, are you serious or did I go off on a tangent?

*He sighed deeply, and He said, "What do you think, Clare?"*

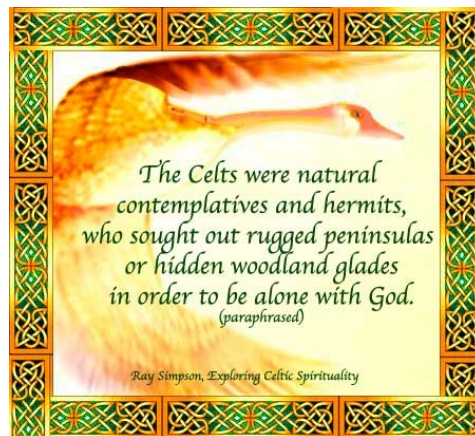
I went to Bible Promises and got Holy Spirit and thought I really wanted to make sure this was the Lord.

This IS You!

*"The gift of continuous contemplation of My Goodness is available to all who ask. Yet there is a certain cost involved. They must be detached from the comforts the world can afford them."*

Well...like the traditional Christians of old, are you saying, even like Cuthbert who stood in the ocean at night to stay awake and pray? And the otters came to keep him warm.

When I said that to Him, I decided 'I'm going to make sure it was Cuthbert that I heard about, who stood in the ocean with the otters. When I went to the internet, just to double check and make sure it was Cuthbert, I had my home page set to one of my favorite sights, that has rhemas on it. And what it said was:



Wow. When I heard that, my heart just...sigh!...kinda fainted away, because that was the whole reason we were up on the mountain for five years – to live a more simple life, to be closer to the Lord.

So, I said, 'Lord, this is all I wanted when we lived on the mountain! To be free to pray and contemplate your goodness. What a confirmation!'

*"Now don't go running off on a tangent - I'm not sending you back to the mountain."*

Awww....

*"I'm simply telling you what is available to those who would believe. You must have faith, not works. In other words, it's not up to you, My Love. This kind of grace, it's up to Me. The only reason Cuthbert did that was so that He could be with Me; his desire was so acute and burning, the very thought of falling asleep and losing consciousness of Me was abhorrent to him. Do you understand?"*

Wow.

*"Yes, Wow. He was that connected to Me."*

He was THAT connected to You, Lord – that he didn't want to fall asleep?

*"Yes, out of force of habit, he surely was."*

Wow...can you imagine it? Just to imagine it is beyond comprehension: to look into the infinite goodness of God Almighty, the Great and Powerful One, to look into THAT and actually see and experience it!! And not want to go to sleep! And doing all in your power NOT to fall asleep? What a soul!

*"Yes, there are yet unimaginable heights of glory to those who believe. The key IS belief, not works."*

But, if you believe then you will arrange your life in such a way as to be sensitive and respond to the grace. And sometimes even do violence to your wants and needs to accomplish it?

*"Yes, but again, the key is still faith. You must believe that I am a rewarder of those who diligently seek Me. Hebrews 11:6*

But don't you require of us that we be willing to do violence to our own carnal natures, and deny ourselves sleep, and food, and comforts. Or is that just asceticism?

And, I looked up the definition of asceticism: 1.severe self-discipline and avoidance of all forms of indulgence, typically for religious reasons. But, asceticism can become an end in itself, and that's not good, either. The end of anything should ALWAYS be the Lord and His Glory, and obedience to Him. But, some people go off on a tangent, and they think that living a life of asceticism is going to make them holier. But, if it's not God's will, it's NOT going to make them holier at all – it'll just make them prideful. So that's a really important point to remember in all of this.

*"If you seek Me with all your heart, you will find Me. Clare, My Love, I WANT to fill you. Do you understand? This is not something I'm withholding from you because your performance level is low. No, I desire with all My Heart to fill you, dear woman."*

So, what's in the way, Lord?

*"Do you really want Me to answer that?"*

You know I do, Lord.

*"Simply? Your preoccupation with the world."*

I thought about that for a minute, and I thought...okay. Such as?

*"What shall I eat, what shall I wear..."*

Lord, I can't quite relate to that, I don't see all these preoccupations. It seems more like I am constantly looking for ways to cut things out of my life that aren't necessary. So I'll have more time for You, and things are more streamlined. And, just as an aside, I read this to my husband before I recorded it, and he said, 'I can see it – you talk about food all the time!' (chuckle) And I thought, 'uh, oh – I'm blind. I've got a blind spot.'

Anyway, I told the Lord – I don't see all these preoccupations. It's more like I'm constantly trying to cut things out of my life. He continued the sentence and said,

*"...and to find shortcuts to get those things done without having to invest your time. But even that begets trouble because you must teach and supervise others. How much better would it be if you didn't need those things or even consider them?"*

Ok, but now we're talking about things like firewood?

*"No, I'm not pointing to necessities. I'm pointing to superfluities."*

Could you please give me a list, Lord? But now, here I am petting my cat and quite pleausurably distracted...and I thought to myself, 'Do You mean that? Petting my cat?'

*"Do you know that your cat is better at contemplating Me than you are?"*

No!

*"Would I lie to you?"*

No, You wouldn't lie to me.

*"Well consider then, they do not weave, they do not spin or think about what they will eat for dinner, wanting something a little different, you know a little variety in their menu. No, they eat, sleep and contemplate. Their minds are simple, like a child's - so they are able to slip into a place of awareness of Me that your complicated mentality does not permit you in this life.*

*"Just because you can't hear their thoughts doesn't mean they are stupid! What about the flowers that turn and follow us in Heaven. They are not even animals, but are aware of Me and of us. How can all Creation groan if there is not an awareness of Me?" (btw, that Scripture is found in Romans 8:22 All Creation groans.) They are not dense or illusive - you are."*

Wow. We are the crowning glory of Your Creation and we are 'dense and illusive'??

*"That's right. Because of your increased awareness and intelligence of how things work, you tend to get distracted into the finer details of life. But they are simple, like children. And it's much easier for them to be drawn into Me...they have very little to think and question about. And Man, in his quest for knowledge and power, has contaminated his mind to such a degree that he has walked a million miles away from Me in daily practice.*

*"That is why more primitive cultures are closer to the spiritual world than the so-called industrial nations. Yet, their intelligence is merely a mirage...because what is most important in their lives is overlooked. So, in the last analysis, Man, who sees himself supremely intelligent, is supremely ignorant of those things that matter to him the most, namely his abode for eternity."*

What does it profit a man if he gain the whole world but loses his very own soul? Mark 8:36

Wow, Lord. This is deep.

*"Yes, My Love, it is. Therefore, the people who are most scorned in the world are the ones who are most taken up with Me. Under this category are the homeless, the native cultures, those who abandon the world to live a primitive life, like the hermit - that is, if they abandon the world for My sake, not because they no longer want to participate or they're lazy. There are two types here: those who abandon the world out of pain and inability to function in it, and those who function quite well, but have chosen the better part."*

But what about leaving others behind and not contributing to society?

*"It is a calling, My Love. It is not something you take upon yourself; it is something I call you to. And with it comes the solemn responsibility to love and to pray for humanity."*

*"We will speak on this more. I just wanted to plant these thoughts in your heart. I know your heart, Clare, I created it. I know the times of your life. I know what your deepest longings are. For now, take care of the flock entrusted to you and contemplate My Glory. As you empty yourself more and more of your affections for this created world, I will open to you more and more of the realms of Glory."*

*"And for all of you, My Brides, be assured the life lived in solitude and simplicity is a very specific calling. If you are not invited to it by Me, it is a disaster! So, don't make the mistake of wanting something because you think it is so holy. No, the only holy life for you is the one lived in obedience to My known will and your state in life."*

*"Yet, we will talk more about this life at another time. In the meantime, My blessing is upon you as you learn of more and more ways to put away your flesh and yield your life and times to Me."*

And, I just want to add to this a serious caution: I'm almost 70 years old now, and I know what that life in the wilderness is like, I know what it feels like to be yearning for that contemplative life where God and a simple, uncomplicated existence is everything. We've lived that life – we lived it for five years. But, when we did it, we weren't totally free of entanglements with the world. And it IS a calling.

And I have to say that, sometimes we see something that we think is holy. And we think, if we do that, we will be holier, or we'll be more pleasing to the Lord. But, nothing could be further from the truth. We can't choose our own way of holiness – we need to be submitted to the Lord. We need to be guided by Holy Spirit.

When we make a choice – to fast, for instance. We need to know that it's the Lord's will for us to fast. Because, someone can fast themselves right into insanity. Plenty of people that I have known have taken on 40 day fasts, or other very strict fast, that put them in danger – and they came out of it a little on the ranting side, instead of on the holy side. Because it was something THEY chose to do, more based on Pride and their own opinion than on obedience to the Lord. When you take up a fast in obedience to God, He moderates that fast, so that it's healthy for you: spiritually, mentally, physically and emotionally. But, you can get so spiritually minded and off into the spiritual world, that you lose touch with reality – and that's not good, either. The Lord wants us to grounded, He doesn't want us to lose our minds.

So, that's just a caution about seeking after things that look holy or sound holy – but aren't meant for us. It's not the season of our life, and it's not His choice for us. We always should yield to His wisdom and not our own. When we yield to our own, it can become an idol – and you know what the Lord says about idol worship.

The Lord bless you all, and I hope this teaching has been a blessing to you. It certainly opened MY mind up, and I'm interested in seeing what the Lord has to say in the coming days and weeks ahead, if He brings it up then.

God bless you, Heartdwellers. Thank you for listening. Pray for us, as we pray for you, too.

