

In the Shadow of Love

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Shadow of Love
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Acts 5:12-16 - And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch. 13 Yet none of the rest dared join them, but the people esteemed them highly. 14 And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, 15 so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid *them* on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. 16 Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

The above picture is a piece I finished last week. It was an image directly from Holy Spirit of a shadow of a heart. Here are some interesting facts about shadows.

Definitions:

- A dark area or shape produced by a body coming between rays of light and a surface.*
- The shaded part of a picture.*
- A weak or inferior remnant or version of something.*
- An inseparable attendant or companion.*
- A person that accompanies someone in their daily activities at work in order to gain experience at or insight into a job.*

Origin:

-Old English scead(u)we (noun), oblique case of sceadu (see shade), sceadwian 'screen or shield from attack', of Germanic origin; related to Dutch schaduw and German Schatten (nouns), from an Indo-European root shared by Greek skotos darkness.

Whenever an object becomes full of a substance, the only thing that can happen as it continues to fill up is for the substance within to overflow. When we are so full of the love of God, it

has no place to go as we continue to fill up but out and over. I believe the reason people believed that even Peter's shadow would heal is because they saw the Power of God flow through Peter and the love of Jesus flow from him. For a shadow to be produced, the body must be between light and a surface for the shadow to be cast. Let me repeat that sentence again for dramatic effect: '...the body must be between light and a surface for the shadow to be cast'.

Meditate on this writing, the above Bible passage, and the above picture to hear what the voice of the Lord is saying to His Body. Allow yourself to become so full of the things of the Lord that your shadow (the shadow of the heart of Jesus) is cast upon every "surface" you contact daily.

Below is a link to an article written by Matt Sorger that I saw on my social media days after I completed the artwork above and I already had this topic in my heart to write about. When God speaks, we should all listen. Selah.

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<http://www.charismamag.com/spirit/spiritual-warfare/28459-is-your-shadow-dangerous-to-the-enemy>

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