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**Faithfulness, the Fear of the Lord, and Following the Lamb Wherever He Goes**

After teaching Bible for 16 years and counseling as a Christian counselor for seven years, I found myself standing in our living room facing the 8,000 member church we were serving at the time. I was exasperated, disillusioned, disappointed, and fed up with what I knew was a growing cancer in the church. So I cried out to God, "I want out of this church. I want out of Christianity. And if the covenant with Jesus Christ can be broken, I want it broken." God answered that prayer, just not as I thought.

Within a year or so, we were out of that particular church. God got us out of the church and out of Christianity-land, or churchianity; but the bond with Jesus Christ is a covenant bond in blood and cannot be broken. Within a few years my husband and I were both in seminary, training for the ministry. No one escapes the Call.

For years I had prayed over a globe for missionaries around the world. I had been hearing the Holy Spirit from the night I was truly saved. I say, "truly saved," because I had grown up in church, as my family was there three or four times a week. However, it was 1972, when I was apprehended by Jesus Christ. Then one day around 1989, things changed. For so many years, I had been controlling when I would pray, read the Bible, go to church, worship God, do this or that in the Kingdom. Now, it was "run with Me." The Holy Spirit would control all of that and more. He wanted my life, all of me.

It was another pastor who recognized the call on my life. It was he who challenged us to organize Mary Craig Ministries and launch out. That was in 1993. The call came, to bring healing and restoration to the Body of Christ; to prepare the Bride for Jesus' return; and to go to the nations as God would lead to call them to "repent or perish." As we were faithful to the call and faithful in the little things, God expanded the call to the nations to calling them next to resurrection. That call came after greater anointing and a pruning of those coming to the ministry on a regular basis. We lost about 1/3 of our fellowship. But beginning in 2000, with a mission to Brazil, we began obeying the Holy Spirit in what He was giving and the fellowship grew back, stronger than before. By 2011 I received another expansion to the call to the nations, to call them to restoration. Repentance...resurrection...restoration. MCM mission teams,

including myself, have been to 75 nations on all seven continents, including Antarctica.

The point is this. Be faithful in your calling and do not despise small beginnings. A ministry is built and must be built on the sure foundation of Jesus Christ, the Covenant in His Blood, on His Word, His grace, His Truth, His faithfulness. God is faithful; and He also will do it.



Fear the Lord. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. By mercy and truth iniquity is purged; and by the fear of the Lord one departs from iniquity. The fear of the Lord undergirds the position of apostle and prophet. Isaiah received a vision of God high and lifted up, thrice holy. He then saw himself and after pronouncing woes on other folks, he pronounced a woe on himself; he was undone. He had unclean lips and dwelt among a people of unclean lips, now suddenly in the presence of a holy God. Only in such a state and having his iniquity taken away and his sins purged by the alter's fire was he fit to “go.” Like Habakkuk. The vision of Habakkuk was words—the just shall live by faith. Habakkuk was to run with the vision and make it plain.

The fear of the Lord causes us to remain humble in God’s presence and around others. The fear of the Lord enables us to deliver the prophetic word to a nation and not shrink back. The fear of the Lord carries us whether we are in the jungles of Venezuela or going with only 8 ounces of water a day in Ethiopia or watching God work miracles in Antarctica or seeing God melt witches to lay on their faces before Him in Costa Rica or bring tears to the eyes of holocaust victims in Poland who never understood the meaning of the word “wholeness, shalom.” We fear NOT to obey.



Believers should be different, separated unto God in a way that is evident to the world and the devil. The fear of the Lord works meekness and gentleness; it brings deliverance from self-confidence and self-consciousness to produce Christ-confidence and Christ-consciousness.

Holy fear of the Holy One is the essence of the holiness we are to follow after. We fear offending Him, of entering into His holy presence with what is fleshly, carnal, corrupt, and unclean, of our own wisdom and effort. Fear of the Lord makes us fall down and hide our faces in God’s presence, wait for the Holy Spirit’s enlightening and breathing into us that with which we draw nigh to God. Holy fear brings us to stillness of soul and leads to rest in God. Our God is a consuming fire and when we walk in and with the Holy Spirit we come to understand Him, His perspective, His

thoughts after Him.

Ours is a sovereign God. He rules and reigns and has no serious competitors. We can bow down and bend, submitting to Him as Creator and Redeemer, knowing that we owe Him whatever He asks of us, or we can be broken in our pride and rebellion. Usually, it's a bit of both.



Follow the Lamb wherever He goes. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. He was pure and spotless. No sin was found in Him, no iniquity. He had in Him no rebellion, no lawlessness, no unrighteousness. He is meek and gentle. Meekness means “God is my defense.” Meekness is submitting to God without rebellion, without resentment, without resistance, without rebuttal, without refusal. Rather, it is, “I have come to do Your will, O God.” And it is, “A body You have prepared for Me.” And it is, “Henceforth to do Your will.” And it is, “Not My will, but Yours be done.”

That meant going to Jerusalem in March of 1999 when no ministry would help us. The call was to go to the gate that is locked and open the gate that Jewish people might come to Christ [spiritually]. I had a vision of people going through that gate by ones, by twos, by families. After the vision, I asked the Lord what was on the other side of that gate. The glory of God hit me so hard I said, “Oh, YOU are on the other side of that gate!”

At that time, no one could get to the East Gate in old Jerusalem because Muslims guarded the gate thinking to prevent the return of Christ. In front of the gate is a Muslim cemetery.

We took a team and we went to Jerusalem. God worked a miracle as after going through the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, a man asked me if there was any place I wanted him to take us. God had told me that a Throne had been assigned to the mission and that when a certain person saw this Throne, he would have to obey. I was told to wear a lamb's skin hat and particular clothing. I asked to go to the East Gate. He said, “Okay, Lady, I can take you there. I am Muslim.” So the next morning we met him and he took us right past the armed guards into the cemetery in front of the East Gate. I stood there and commanded the gate to open in the Name of Jesus so that Jewish people could come to Christ according to the commandment I had received from Jesus Christ. And I laughed.

When I was last in Jerusalem, May 2011, the gate was no longer guarded. We are currently called back to Jerusalem and Israel for the sixth time, each time under specific commands and with a specific strategy.

Following the Lamb is doing the will of the Father with the mind of Christ and the heart of the Holy Spirit. It is laying down your life for the Body of Christ. It is taking up the Cross, an instrument of death, and being crucified with Christ, being crucified to the world, and crucifying the flesh with its passions and lusts. (Galatians) It is laying aside very weight of sin that so easily besets us. It is bracing ourselves for corrections, desiring to be made holy, holy in Christ. It is dying to whatever opposes Christ in us. It is being that living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our reasonable service of worship. It is keeping in step with the Holy Spirit, even if it means leaving others behind who choose not to press toward the high calling of God in Christ. It is walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of



*Then had the churches rest throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria,*

*And were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord,*

*And in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied. Acts 9:31*

Do not fear the intimidation of others, but sanctify Jesus as Lord. Whoever is your Lord is in control of your destiny. Jesus is Lord when He is in control of your destiny.

God is faithful. Be faithful. God is holy. Be holy as God is holy. Fear the Lord. Worship Him in the beauties of holiness. Come out and be separated unto the Living God that you might live in that vital spiritual union with Jesus Christ. Follow the Lamb wherever He goes.

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