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Invitation into Magnificence

Shalom,

Faith comes by hearing and hearing, and it is a fact that whatever people, or congregations, talk about, **whatever they continue to hear, that is what is manifested in their lives.** Those who talk about their fears are always afraid. Those who speak of “their” illnesses are always sick. Those who talk of their lack suffer want, and so on. **God designed us, however, to speak of the wonderful salvation of God. When we do that, people are delivered, healed, and prospered.**

Leviticus 16:1-18:30, Acharei Mot, “After the Death” is the Torah portion for this week. These are the instructions for entering the power, presence, and glory of YHWH. In this section, God’s love for His people is shown in that, following the death of Aaron’s two sons, Nadav and Avihu, correction is given to protect His congregation from the all-consuming light of the manifestation of His presence; but **the amazing thing that many miss is that, by giving this instruction, He shows that He desires His people to enter His glory.** We cannot fully comprehend the glory. It is His magnificence, love, brightness, and might that fill His creation and seem to indicate that He must be unapproachable, and yet **the God of love provided a way for us to come to Him in an amazingly wonderful way.** In the Torah, the Tabernacle, with the shedding of blood, burning of sacrifices, washing with water, lighting of the menorah, burning incense, various coverings, furnishings, and partitions, while following a very specific set of procedures, were instituted so that the King of all creation might be approached by those chosen by Him, and that He might dwell among them. **As elaborate and detailed as the covenant given to Moses was, it was but a shadow of greater things to come.**

Now, under the new and better covenant cut in the blood of Yeshua, God has provided a **living way** for us to experience His mighty presence with a complete, and yet growing, **awareness of the Glory of God.**

Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have boldness to enter into the Holies by the blood of Yeshua. He inaugurated a new and living way for us through the curtain—that is, His flesh. (Hebrews 10:19-20 TLV)

Yeshua said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life! No one comes to the Father except through Me.” (John 14:6 TLV)

We often teach that the **Glory of God** is His manifested presence, but I believe that when we **approach His awesomeness**, the words to describe or explain will be inadequate; nothing we can utter is appropriate nor sufficient at that time. Certainly, nothing known

in natural understanding can begin to comprehend His **absolute magnificence**. However, **as we focus our hearts and minds on Him, the glorious presence of God, expecting to know Him as He is, taking our place “United in Him,” covered with the blood of Yeshua, we may be drawn to the realm of His Shekinah, a place of joy unspeakable and full of glory.**

*To whom God was pleased to make known how great for the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ within and among you, **the Hope of [realizing the] glory**.* (Colossians 1:27 AMPC)

*But we all, with unveiled face **beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord**, are **being transformed into the same image from glory to glory**—just as from the Lord, Who is the Spirit.* (2 Corinthians 3:18 TLV)

Many don't even know this place exists, but there are those of God's people who are yearning for the manifestation of His glory. **We desire the things of the Spirit**. We are **looking for the presence of God uncontaminated by traditions**, religious rituals, and a lifeless form of godliness without power. Let's **enter into the new and living way of experiencing the presence of YHWH**. It is available to everyone who will surrender themselves and choose Yeshua, Who is the only Way. **Let's choose to talk about Yeshua, the glory of God Who dwells in our midst**. As we open our mouths wide, let Him fill them with the truth of His Word, focusing ourselves, in meditation, praise, singing, and encouraging each other with His glorious Truth.

*We concentrate not on what is seen but on what is not seen, since things seen are temporary, but **things not seen are eternal**.* (2 Corinthians 4:18 CJB)

As we follow the pathway He has prepared into His presence, our hearts are growing increasingly more expectant, and we are trusting **and looking for the greater manifestations that He has promised**.

“I pray not only for these, but also for those who will trust in Me because of their word, that they may all be one. Just as You, Father, are united with Me and I with You, I pray that they may be united with Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me. The glory which You have given to Me, I have given to them; so that they may be one, just as We are One— I united with them and You with Me, so that they may be completely one, and the world thus realize that You sent Me, and that You have loved them just as You have loved Me. (John 17:20-23 CJB)

Looking at the eternal,

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