Ps 84:1 <<To the chief Musician upon Gittith, A Psalm for the sons of Korah.>> How amiable are thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts! {for the sons: or, of the sons}

2 My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

3 Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.

4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah.

5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are the ways of them.

6 Who passing through the valley of Baca make it a well; the rain also filleth the pools. {Baca...: or, mulberry trees make him a well, etc} {filleth: Heb. covereth}

7 They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God. {strength to...: or, company to company}

8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah.

9 Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed.

10 For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness. {I had...: Heb. I would choose rather to sit at the threshold}

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

12 O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

My desire is in the Lord 84:1-5; 24:7; 27:4

My dwelling is in the Lord 84:4

My (depth) strength is in the Lord 84:5

My (dependence) trust is in the Lord 84:12

My (Deliverance) Salvation is in the Lord

The Blessings of Salvation

Ps 84:1How amiable are thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts!

1. **The house of God is beautiful**

How amiable (utterly beautiful) are thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts!

This was written before Solomon built the temple! It was written when the “house of God” was little more than a tent. But to the Psalmist, it did not matter a bit. It was God’s house, and it was beautiful.

To a saved person, the house of God is amiable. That means it is more beautiful than the ocean, lake, or the golf course, or the ball stadium, or the seminar, convention, hall, or the kitchen, living room, bedroom, or any place else on earth. That is why the word amiable is only used one time in the entire Bible, right here in our text describing the house of God! There is no place on earth like church for a Christian.

1. **The house of God is a place the Christian desires to get back to, even if he has only been gone a short time!**
2. **The house of God is where good parents raise their children**
   1. **Nursery for the young**
3. **The house of God, for a Christian, is not a place to visit, but a place to dwell**
4. **The house of God is where Christians get stronger and stronger**
5. **The house of God is where Christians expect to get their prayers answered**
6. **The house of God is the place where we do not mind God seeing our face**
7. **The house of God is, to a Christian is way more than 1000 times better than any other place on earth**
8. **The house of God is a place you must attend faithfully in order to be living right**

Psalm 122:1 I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.  
Nehemiah 10:39b... we will not forsake the house of our God.  
Hebrews 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching

The Proper use of the Sanctuary

Ps 84:4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah. 5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are the ways of them.

1. The Sanctuary must be dwelt in not just visited
   1. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house
      1. We dwell in the house of God to make progress in faith, hope and love.
      2. We must have a genuine heart of godliness, (godlikeness) to be in submission, in fellowship in true worship to God.
         1. A hypocrite will be attentive to outward ceremonies but destitute to godliness, godlikeness.
      3. True worshippers of God offer the sacrifice of praise to the glory of God’s grace.
         1. Praise, faith and love must always go together.
            1. With the heart man believes,
            2. Praise God from the heart
            3. Love with all your heart
   2. Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are the ways of them.
      1. Worship rather than worry
      2. Believe rather than doubt
      3. Love rather than lust

Be Spiritual rather than critical Be Holy rather than judgmental Be humble rather than proud

All pride must lay prostrate in the dust All the heart humbled

Be distinguished from the superficial Be distinguished from the hypocrite Be distinguished from the proud

In pride they will argue their point, humility will still be praising Him. The Spiritual will restore, the proud will tear down to destroy. The Holy will see God through a renewed mind and a transformed life.

Pardon

Isa 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

We don’t know the hurt and the pain we cause people when we sin.

Peace

Ro 5:1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

Purity

Purpose

2Co 5:14 For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: 15 And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. 16 Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more.

2 My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

3 Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.

4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah.

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6 Who passing through the valley of Baca make it a well; the rain also filleth the pools. {Baca...: or, mulberry trees make him a well, etc} {filleth: Heb. covereth}

We do not have to die for our sins We do not have to die in our sins

but We do have to die to sin with Christ

7 They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God. 8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah. 9 Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed. 10 For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

1Pe 1:20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly. 12 O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

**Soul and flesh** Ps 84:2 My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

Ps 73:26 My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever. Ps 119:81 My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word.

Ps 63:1 ¶ <<A Psalm of David, when he was in the wilderness of Judah.>> O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is;

Pr 11:17 ¶ The merciful man doeth good to his own soul: but he that is cruel troubleth his own flesh

Isa 10:18 And shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, both soul and body: and they shall be as when a standardbearer fainteth.

Ac 2:31 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

Jg 16:16 And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death; {vexed: Heb. shortened}

2Ki 4:27 And when she came to the man of God to the hill, she caught him by the feet: but Gehazi came near to thrust her away. And the man of God said, Let her alone; for her soul is vexed within her: and the LORD hath hid it from me, and hath not told me. {him...: Heb. by his feet} {vexed: Heb. bitter}

Job 27:2 As God liveth, who hath taken away my judgment; and the Almighty, who hath vexed my soul; {vexed...: Heb. made my soul bitter}

Ps 6:3 My soul is also sore vexed: but thou, O LORD, how long?

2Pe 2:8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, **vexed his righteous soul** from day to day with their unlawful deeds;)

**Soul and Spirit**

1Sa 1:15 And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the LORD.

Ec 6:9 Better is the sight of the eyes than the wandering of the desire: this is also vanity and vexation of spirit. Isa 26:9 With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness. 42:1 ¶ Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

Mt 12:18 Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased: I will put my spirit upon him, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.

1Co 15:45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.

1Th 5:23 ¶ And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Heb 4:12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Ps 84:3 Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.

Serving God in solitude is far better than serving sin with a multitude.

Ps 84:4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah.

Ps 65:4 Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

Ps 84:7 They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.

God adding grace to their graces, Joh 1:16. They shall be changed from glory to glory (2Co 3:18), from one degree of glorious grace to another, till, at length, every one of them appears before God in Zion, to give glory to him and receive blessings from him.

Those who grow in grace shall, at last, be perfect in glory.

They go from the house of the sanctuary to the house of doctrine; and the pains which they have taken about the law shall appear before God, whose majesty dwells in Zion. We must go from one duty to another, from prayer to the word, from practicing what we have learned to learn more; and, if we do this, the benefit of it will appear, to God's glory and our own everlasting comfort.

Fugitive - Someone that runs away from home.

Vagabond - Wanders away from home, has no home

Pilgrim - on a special Journey, headed home

**Blessings of Salvation**

**I Peter 1:3-9**

There is a little chorus that we sing around here sometimes. It is called 'Thank You Lord for Saving My Soul'. Last Thursday, other days as well, we gathered with family and friends to celebrate the American holiday, Thanksgiving. And we certainly do have much to be thankful for here in America. Multiply over again if we are Christians who know the joy of salvation by grace through faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ!

Read: 1 Peter 1:3-9

The book of I Peter as we recall has been written to a group of believers who are going through a hard time. They have been scattered into other places. They are being persecuted for their faith. So the Spirit of God inspires Simon Peter to write a book of encouragement. And to show them that God has a purpose for the sufferings and the trails and for the trouble which come their way.

As this letter begins, Peter sets before us the wonderful glories of the salvation we enjoy. In the second verse of the chapter we saw the work of the trinity in our salvation. We saw that you and I are saved because of the foreknowledge of God the Father, the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit and the sprinkling of the precious blood of Jesus Christ. With verse three Peter begins to expand on the three-fold truth of salvation: 1) Regeneration; 2) Sanctification; and 3) Redemption.

This morning, let's look at this great passage on regeneration or salvation. Beginning with verse three Peter makes a statement of praise and thanksgiving to God for salvation.

(1 Pet 1:3) "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,"

I. A Living Hope.

A. It is according to his abundant mercy.

1. This statement refers to the new birth.

2. God has given us a new birth and this new birth has brought into our lives a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

3. One of the first characteristics of the life of a believer is that God has put the living hope into their life.

4. This is constantly and continually alive in the heart of a believer, and is the anchor of the soul of the child of God.

(Heb 6:19) "Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;"

(Eph 2:12) "That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:"

B. The world is a hopeless place.

C. There are three things this verse tells us about our living hope.

1. The first thing is the strength of our hope.

a. He says that the strength of our hope is the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

b. A hope is only as strong its basis.

c. The Christian faith stands or falls on the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

d. If Jesus rose again from the dead then we have a hope that is alive.

e. If Jesus Christ did not rise from the dead then we have no hope.

(1 Cor 15:14; 17) "And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain … And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins."

2. Next, we notice the substance of our hope.

(1 Pet 1:4) "To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,"

a. We have been an inheritance.

b. Some of us have received an inheritance and others will receive an inheritance sometime in the future.

c. An inheritance is a benefit of a blessing which is given to you.

d. It is due to the fact of having been born into a family, it is not earned and often not deserved!

e. An inheritance is something you get, it is a possession that is yours out there in the future.

f. The inheritance a child of God enjoys is far greater and far more substantial than any earthly inheritance.

1) It is incorruptible inheritance...that means it is not subject to decay! (not like the things of this world)

2) It is undefiled…and that means it cannot be polluted or ruined!

3) It will not fade away…that means it is ours forever!

3. Consider also the security of our hope.

a. "reserved in heaven for you".

c. It is the most secure inheritance any person ever had.

d. Verse five says that we are kept by the power of God.

II. An Enduring Faith. v6-7

A. The Reality of Suffering.

1. These Christians were enduring unbelievable trials, and troubles and persecutions.

2. Nero had blamed the burning of the city of Rome on those Christians.

3.That resulted in unexplainable trials.

a. Some of those Christians were sown in sacks and let wild dogs rip them from limb to limb.

b. Others were rolled in tar and pitch and set afire like living torches to light Nero's garden.

c. Yet Simon Peter writes to encourage them.

(1 Pet 1:6) "Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:"

d. That word temptations means trials, troubles, hardships and difficulties.

4. He is talking here about the types of the troubles that come into the life of a Christian.

a. 'Manifold' = many colored.

b. He is saying here that trouble has got its own rainbow of colors.

c. All kinds of troubles.

d. Peter uses the same word to describe the grace of God in chapter 4:10.

e. What is the point? For every shade of trouble we may experience, God has grace to supply to help us to deal with the problem!

B. Notice the reason for troubles.

1. He says those trials "need be". v6

2. What he is saying is there is a need be about our trials.

3. There is a purpose in our trials.

4. There is a reason for the troubles you are going through this very day.

C. He uses here a illustration of gold being put into the fire.

1. It is a beautiful illustration of how God uses troubles in our lives as Christians.

2. He is talking here about the process of the purifying of the gold.

a. Peter says that is exactly the purpose of trial in the life of a believer.

b. God permits the fires of trials and problems and difficulties to come into our life as a Christian.

c. He says the purpose if that our faith "might be found unto praise and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ."

III. A Captivating Love. v8

(1 Pet 1:8) "Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:"

A. An Unseen Savior.

1. Peter had seen Jesus.

2. He had known and experienced the love of Christ in the flesh.

3. But the believers he was writing to had not had that privilege.

4. Still they loved Him.

B. An Unexplainable Love.

1. We love Christ by faith!

2. Peter is talking about a wonderful thing here.

3. We can love someone we have never seen before!

4. How can this be?

5. Parents, what about the love you have for your children?

6. Before they were ever born we loved them. (that is also true of grand-children!)

C. The wonderful thing about salvation.

What do we have to be thankful for? Even in the midst of a difficult world…a life filled with troubles and difficulties? Peter reminds of three things that all who are saved possess:

* A Living Hope.
* An Enduring Faith.
* A Captivating Love.

If you are without Christ today, you can receive Him this morning. Come to Him by faith and He will not turn you away. Trust in Him today and know these wonderful blessings.

**– The Bride’s *Enlarged Vision*–**

Song 2:17 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether.

INTRODUCTION

IT IS NECESSARY TO WALK IN THE LIGHT TO RECEIVE MORE LIGHT

There is a growing and developing aspect of her knowledge and her insight into the things of God as she walks with God, and this is very necessary that you understand that you’re not going to understand the deeper things of God unless you walk consistently with Him.

Truth is not going to come to one that is not walking with the Lord.

Isaiah 2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD. 1John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

John 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself. Mat. 6:23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!

IT IS NECESSARY THAT WE GROW AND ADVANCE IN REVELATION AND IN EXPERIENCE.

We have ceased to grow and develop when we cease to apply the truth and walk in it.

WE must apply our self to what God is saying so that we understand Him fully.

All Revelation will come from the Word of God.

God’s ultimate Eternal Purpose is that He might have a Bride, one that is one with Him.

Eph. 3:11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

God’s Eternal Ultimate Purpose is to have a Bride for His Son that is one with Him

John 17:22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

Song 1:5 I am black, but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.

2:4 He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love. 5 Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for I am sick of love.

Her hunger has not decreased but increased.

Her vision is enlarging because she is going on. As you go on in God He is going to reveal more to you.

The vision of the advancing train: “Watch the Light”

We should be in the process of development with a determination to reach the Goal.

It is not too far beyond your grasp.

Heb 6:1 Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,

Even though her vision has enlarged there is a crying out for help.

Titus 2:13 **Looking for that blessed hope**, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

There is an Eternal Day break

Job 28:7 There is a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's eye hath not seen:

There is a way, there is a vein:

There is a place that God is opening up and revealing to those that are hungry, to those that are desiring the deeper and the better things of God.

That gives us encouragement, a new Hope, a new zeal and a new courage to face the battles to face the pressures.

“It will be worth it all when we see Jesus”

John 21:3 Simon Peter saith unto them, **I go a fishing**

We need to have a proper understanding of what God is doing.

Song 2:17 **Until** the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether.

“**until**” talking about a time that is coming that is far beyond the experience of where she is right now.

People are wandering around in darkness; it is night, it is dark.

1. Her (The Bride’s) ultimate Hope

“Until the day break, and the shadows flee away”

1. The Night
2. Night speaks of (His Absence) Separation,

“when Jesus is not there it is dark”

The Bridegroom is not there and it is dark.

Darkness gets in your life when you don’t feel Him.

Talking about an experience that she is in right now but looking to the ultimate hope that she has, when one day the Day is going to break Eternally and the night is going to flee away.

Presently separated from Him

John 8:12 Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, **I am the light of the world**: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

Where is the Lord in relationship to the Church?

He is on the **OUTSIDE** trying to get in. Jesus is not in, so it is dark, it is night in the church.

Rev. 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

The Bride is in darkness, It is night time but her vision because she is progressing on in the Lord, she is beginning to get a vision of better things.

1. Night speaks of sin.

We are **catching a Vision** of the better things, the Ultimate.

Because there is weakness and failure, instead of dealing with the situation as we should we make excuses for it.

A Mark for The Little BLACK (**book)**

* Anything that licenses sin is of the devil.

We do have weaknesses and we do have failures but ;

We are in a process and there is a time in our life that we get the victory.

The Ultimate---The Goal to Run after---God’s Eternal Purpose

1Cor. 15:57 But thanks be to God, which **giveth us the victory** through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

2Cor. 2:14 Now thanks be unto God, which **always causeth us to triumph in Christ**, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.

You don’t have to sin every day, when you have the Nature of Jesus in You.

The bible deals with sin; it does not make excuses for sin.

Romans 1:25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie…

Romans 13:12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. 13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. 14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

1. Night speaks of Death

John 9:4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

There is a time that you will not be able to avail yourself of what is provided.

A lot of people believe the (false) that there is going to be a wonderful transformation only after we leave this world.

Mat. 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

1. The Day

Song 2:17 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, **turn,** my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether. John 11: 24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. 25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

A vision of a Day break:

There is a day of wholly light and no darkness at all.

1John 1:5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. Php 3:10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

1. Day speaks of light Wholly Light
2. Day speaks of Truth. No part false

People are entertaining things that are not altogether true, some very strange doctrinal points. Is there a time that we are really going to see the fullness of the truth

Eph. 4:3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

Romans 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. Eph. 4:14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

Are there any children in the Church Today? Are there any children in the ministry Today?

John 2:16 And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise. Mat. 21:13 And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.

When we see all this darkness; In the midst of it all there is a light that is about to break.

1. Day speaks of Righteousness.

Can you walk in Righteousness? Can a person stand Righteous before God? **YES, the bible says so.**

When is the Bride going to wear these robes of white? **Now**, in this present world.

Romans 13:12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Rev. 19:7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. 8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

1. Her (The Bride’s) Prevailing Prayer.

Song 2:17 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, **turn,** my beloved, and be thou **like a roe or a young hart** upon the mountains of Bether.

The thing that must and will happen to you if you really get a vision, Now there is a difference of getting a vision and receiving inspiration, when you see it, it does something to you, You see what you can be, You see what you are, You see yourself in Him, it drives you to Him, You have such a hunger and You see His desire.

Oh! God; that’s what I want; that’s what happens to you, when you see what He has for you.

Vision will produce real Prayer.

There is not repetition in prayer, there’s a cry in prayer that is, prevailing, travailing.

**“turn,** my beloved, and be thou **like a roe or a young hart”**

1. The **Content** of Her Prayer

“Turn My Beloved”

She begs for her beloved to return to her She needs Him - I want to be that which you have called me to be**.**

**“TURN” Turn Back, Turn Back again, Turn and give me another opportunity.**

**“Turn (*back)* my Beloved” I need You.** 05437. cabab, saw-bab' to revolve, surround, or border; bring, cast, fetch, lead, make, walk, X whirl, X round about, be about on every side, apply, avoid, beset (about), besiege, bring again, carry (about), change, cause to come about, X circuit, (fetch a) compass (about, round), drive, environ, X on every side, beset (close, come, compass, go, stand) round about, inclose, remove, return, set, sit down, **turn** (self) (about, aside, away, **back**).

Give me another oppurtunity

Rev. 12:2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered. James 5:16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much Gen. 32:26 And he said, Let me go, for **the day breaketh**. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou **bless** me.

When you begin to trust this flesh you are on dangerous ground.

“Turn My Beloved”

1. To Lead Her

Ps 25:5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

1. To Support Her

1Co 10:12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

The way almost becomes unbearable.

1Peter 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

1. To Encourage Her
2. The Urgency of Her Prayer

“be thou like a Row or a Young Hart”

What is the cry of the Bride?

Rev. 22:17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely. 20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

1. Come swiftly “Like a Row”
2. Bring Hope to help us “or a Young Hart”

Psalm 22:1 <<To the chief Musician upon Aijeleth Shahar, A Psalm of David.>> My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring? {Aijeleth...: or, **the hind of the morning**} {helping...: Heb. my salvation}

Mal 4:2 But unto you that fear my name shall the **Sun of righteousness** arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

Prov.4:18 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

1. Her (The bride’s) Present Condition

She sees herself ; as she is, as she prays.

“Upon the Mountains of Bether” --- “Bether” – means division or separation

Now the Little Bride is not all together where she should be. The Bride has some Mountains that have caused separation

* What caused the Mountains?

1. Indifference
2. Unfaithfulness
3. Selfwilled
4. Unbelief
5. Slothfulness

Jesus come to us on our Mountain and help us.

Ex 19:3 And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel; 11 And be ready against the third day: for the third day the LORD will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai. 19 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice. 20 And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up. 21 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through unto the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish.

Fear involves the negative. --- Faith involves the Truth. Confidence in the Power of God. The Little Bride will believe Her God.

1John 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. Isaiah 64:1 Oh that thou wouldest rend the heavens, that thou wouldest come down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence, 2 As when the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil, to make thy name known to thine adversaries, that the nations may tremble at thy presence! {the melting...: Heb. the fire of meltings}

Amos 9:13 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt. Nahum 1:5 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.

1. Lack of vision will cause lack in Prayer
   1. Blindness in prayer is from
      1. Not knowing the truth
      2. Not understanding the truth
      3. Not applying the truth
      4. Not appropriating the truth
2. Lack of vision will cause Division or Separation
3. Right vision has a proper understanding of the divisions
   1. Order of operations
      1. Prayer
      2. Enter the race
      3. Understand the Goal
4. What caused the Mountains?
   1. Blindness
      1. Indifference
      2. Unfaithfulness
      3. Selfwilled
      4. Unbelief
      5. Slothfulness

Isa 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. {the unrighteous...: Heb. the man of iniquity} {abundantly...: Heb. multiply to pardon }

Jer 5:1 ¶ Run ye to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be any that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth; and I will pardon it.

Jer 5:7 How shall I pardon thee for this? thy children have forsaken me, and sworn by them that are no gods: when I had fed them to the full, they then committed adultery, and assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses.

Jer 33:8 And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me.

Jer 50:20 In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I reserve.

Ho 1:6 And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. And God said unto him, Call her name Loruhamah: for I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel; but I will utterly take them away. {Loruhamah: that is, Not having obtained mercy} {no...: Heb. not add any more to} {but...: or, that I should altogether pardon them}