"Any or Many?"

Dear Friends!

Some of us have returned from Mexico just last night and it was a precious

Our scripture for this week comes from Philippians 2:1 "If there be, therefore, <u>any</u> consolation in Christ, if <u>any</u> comfort of love, if <u>any</u> fellowship of the Spirit, if <u>any</u> tender mercies and compassions..."

We noticed the word "any" in this passage of scripture because sometimes it is so easy to see the "many" issues and problems all around us and miss the sweet "any's" that come from Jesus living in the middle of it all. The "many" issues usually pertain to the knowledge of good and evil, which brings death and not oneness in Christ. But the heart of the wife of the Lamb will search for the "any" so that she might bring Jesus into the situation.

There are endless problems to work through in our daily lives on planet earth! But what holds us together as a Body for Christ to dwell in is the heart that holds the "any" of His love above the "many" of the issues. Just listen to the examples of the "any's" found in this scripture: Consolation, Comfort of love, Fellowship of the Spirit, Tender Mercies, Compassions... That sounds like Jesus! He walks into impossible situations and finds consolation, comfort and tender mercies to share through His love.

Sometimes we have to search and look deeper than the obvious issues to find the Mind of Christ so we can flow in love and not become distracted and divided over issues. By faith we know that the Life of Jesus is in us, its just that sometimes we have to "lower our bucket" deeper into our hearts until we find the pure waters of His Life within. We may feel tired and frustrated, like we have nothing of His Spirit to offer, but our Source is unaffected by those things and replenishes us when we draw from Him.

Our hearts will remain soft if we remain open to the way of the Lamb, keeping our focus on Him and not on our situation.

Tenderly Yours In Christ