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Fire Ministries

The Temple Is Filled With Life

Bless you dear Friends!

It is an intense time of preparations for the upcoming Ireland trips. These preparations are both spiritual and practical. Oh, how I desire that GOD'S DESIRE be fulfilled in all this. That we reach His Heart by truly manifesting Jesus in every aspect. I pray each preparation and ministry deed be ignited by the altar of His Cross and bring forth the sweet savor of Jesus our Life. Your prayers, love, and support concerning these things mean more than I can say. May every step of these upcoming missionary journeys be empowered by His death, and carried forth on the wings of His Life. May Christ truly be magnified by His Life in us!!! Amen and Hallelujah!

What makes the Temple, the "Temple" is that it is filled with God's Essence / Life. We function as Temple only by virtue of God's indwelling glory. So often the reality is that we are dwelling in the uncleanness of our flesh, just as Isaiah declared in Isaiah 6:5. When this is our condition, we must fall before God, like Isaiah did, and confess that we are not yet functioning as His Temple. This is a good confession, for through it we are crying out to be truly filled with Christ the Glory.

The Temple that we are as Christ's Body is a place of LIFE. All activity of God in the earth is to emanate out from the Temple of His Body. The Temple is meant to be a place saturated with God's Essence filling all things. There is no panic, strife, or manipulation in that "air". The atmosphere in the Temple is God Himself in Spirit and Life. 'Temple duty' is participation in Eternal Life. Every breath breathed in those walls inhales Life. These walls become a sanctuary containing Sacred God-ness, - Crucified Christ-ness, - Life giving Divine Essence. Some people look and see a building, while others see God Himself filling earthen vessels with His glory.

When we really are functioning as the Temple of the Lord, then people will encounter the Living God when they come into contact with us. They will want to enter into RELATIONSHIP with God, they will find true COMMUNION with God, and they will experience God's PERSON and NATURE in ways that can only be known through LIFE.

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Life Draws Hearts to HIM

As the Lord's Temple we are to be full of His glory. As His Body we are to be full of His Life. We are meant to exist as a living invitation that cries out,

"Come into Life...

Come into Relationship...

Come into Living Union with Christ"!



Life Gathers

When it is all about JESUS, the ONE LIFE of His Body, than our gatherings are not dependent upon denomination or doctrine, but on our oneness in the Son. Oh, how sweet such gatherings can be when our focus and desire is towards Christ Himself.



Life Fills

It is the living God that we all hunger for! Nothing ever truly satisfies until it has gone past doctrine and is filled with the fullness of Christ (Eph. 3:16). Life is contagious and Life fills! Life speaks what words could never say and communicates Who God is in His Being and Person!!!



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Life Says "COME and FEAST"

Jesus is more than teaching and ministry; He is a Life that we can ENTER INTO! He is a feast we can PARTAKE OF! There is an invitation that flows forth from His Body that declares, "Come, and enter into His Life".



Life Shows "HIM" and not Religion

Many young people have grown-up around religion their whole lives, but have never really known Jesus. We have seen hearts melt and open to receive Christ when they encountered His Life in people who came simply as vessels to show forth His beauty and love.



We Need Life!

May we gather together as the very Body of Jesus, filled with His Life. We come together hungry for more of Him to fill us. We also come ready to pour Him out. Whether full or empty, we are His and our gathering is unto Him.



GOD'S TOOL FOR BUILDING

In John 2:18-22, Jesus spoke of His Cross destroying man's temple to raise up in Himself the true and eternal Temple. There is the necessity of yielding to the in-working of the Cross to truly function as the Lord's dwelling place. There is only one tool that can truly build the temple, and that tool is the Cross of Christ. It alone is effective in removing our old life, and bringing forth Christ as our Life.

THE MORTAL WOUND

The mortal wound... my dearest friend
The blow that finally brings my end
So many times my wounds have healed...
Leaving me alive though sin was revealed

Naked stand I before Your throne
Yet not to clothe this old life of my own
But seeking true eternal grace
I ask that I would be replaced

The help I need is not to endure
Another blow from quiver sure
But to be ended, pure and true
So that my life will finally be You

So sharpen your sword and insert blade
Press and turn till nothing remains
And as I lay dead in Your arms
The heaven's behold the Father's charm

As from the grave of emptied me
You raise up Your Son... glory be!

Now brilliant Son- light floods the place
Where once lurked self... Now THIS is grace!

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