## Held In The Lord

Hi Ladies!

Once again, we love hearing from you. We love hearing the Lord's heart through you... The communion we are experiencing together in Him will last forever!

How wonderful to be held by the Lord! "His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me" (Song of Songs 2:6). Yet, at times, we may believe that He will release His arms and stop holding us. We may consider that the Lord's "grip" on us is conditional and temporal. Deep within we may believe that the moment we fail He is going to let go and drop us! These hidden fears will cause us to work and strive to maintain our place of being held in the Lord Himself. Rather than receiving that we have been accepted in the Beloved by glorious grace, (Eph. 1:6), we will worry that we might lose OUR hold on the Lord and fall into the darkness of condemning separation. So we can feel like is it our responsibility to hold all things together! But the truth is that HE is holding all things together!

"And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist. And He is the Head of the body, the church; who is the beginning, the first-born from the dead, that in all things he might have the pre-eminence."

When Jesus arose from the dead with us IN Him, an eternal embrace began. He lifted us out from the realm of earning and maintaining His favor into the realm of being joined into Him as His very own Body. When we fail, when we are blind and selfish and off from the Lord... the highest reality that we must look at is that we are still found in Him. He has not let us go. The reality that we are in Him is settled in His heart. We are safe. Even if we stumble and fall over and over again, we have not fallen out of His eternal embrace. Once again, we do not hold it all together in the heavens of Christ... He holds it all together... He holds His body together in Himself. We consist by Him. May this bring peace and rest to the weary and fearful! Such love is too wonderful, but it is God's love to His own!

We love you!

## The Women of Fire