

Resurrection Morning

The New Dawn has come. The first true Son-rise has arisen and new Light kisses the morning dew. All is now possible. Eternity's veil, once angel guarded with blazing sword, is torn asunder and God's Life is now accessible to dwell in all men.

The Life has been spoken of for ages and generations. This Life had been among us in the form of one man.. Jesus of Nazareth. This Life had been declared on the mountains and in the valleys by His cousin John. But never before had this Life broke free from containment to fill all men, to as many as receive Him (*John chapter one*).

Yes, it is a New Dawn... all things are now possible. What has always been impossible for us is now simply a matter of letting the King of Glory come in and manifest His Divine Nature through us. Yet do we know the One God exalted to Lordship and what His Divine nature is? Who is this King of Glory (Ps. 24:8)?

The King has ascended and now comes to fill His Temple, a habitation meant to consist of living stones that bear His Glory. Yet His is a Glory that must be revealed for, even as the One sown on Calvary was hidden and misunderstood, so also is the One Who is raised.

Resurrection morning for Jesus was His day to move in and find a home in us His new body. But instead of a prepared habitation He finds Himself knocking on the door of His newly purchased house and many times being rejected as a stranger and turned away as an imposter, heretic, or even worse. Instead of the True Light filling the Temple, idols and images of man's ideas of who God exalted remain standing in the place where the Lamb should dwell. His resurrection Life is so foreign to most that the glorious One is not even seen. Just as in His birth and incarnation so also at His New birth into His resurrection body, this "King of Glory" is looked upon as too small, weak, and insignificant therefore no one has room for Him. Just as His death at Calvary so also is His ascension into Glory... the manifested God is rejected, for "Who would believe such a report and to whom will the arm of the Lord be revealed"? To experience the long-awaited Messiah as a crucified criminal was astonishing, yet to discover that the exalted Messiah and Lord of all is a slaughtered Lamb enthroned in Glory is unthinkable. The people were willing to accept a crucified Messiah, yet only on the basis that in Resurrection He would be exalted in a power that would crush their enemies and give them a better life. Ezekiel prophesied this of old, sharing imagery of the Glory finding no dwelling place in His Temple because idols had taken His place (Ezekiel chapters 8 and 10).

Is it really that different today? What is our response when we are challenged with allowing Christ crucified to rule and reign in our hearts as Life and Lord? Do we prepare our hearts (His house) for a "different Jesus" crafted after our own preferences, images and ideas of Who He should be? Will we turn away this little slaughtered Lamb from His Temple and remove Him from His throne choosing idols instead of the Living One? I know these are hard questions, but these are the questions that God is asking me. More important than being confronted with difficult questions is the need for Jesus to find rest in His Home... us. It is time to cry out, "God, reveal Your Son in me" (Gal. 1:15-16).