

Spiritual Motherhood

Dear precious friends,

Today is mother's day, and the Lord gave this little message to minister to all of us from His heart concerning an aspect of motherhood. In Revelation 12:1-5, the Church is described as a woman that is a mother bringing forth a son. This is a picture of spiritual motherhood... where we all have been purposed to bring forth Christ as one corporate bride. This woman is heavy with child and travailing in birth; she is in pain to be delivered. She is experiencing the birth pangs of being a vessel that brings forth the Son. Many of her "trials and tribulations" are coming from the fact that she wants Jesus to come forth!

The enemy wanted to devour her child as soon as it was born, but the Lord protected the son and the mother. The child was brought forth and then caught up unto God. The woman fled and then flew with great wings to a place prepared of God where she would be protected, nourished and fed (verses 6 & 14). Both mother and child were safely delivered unto God and protected from the enemy. God Himself brings us through this birthing process and protects His Seed and the vessels that bear His Life.

We are all called to motherhood in our eternal purpose to bring forth Christ. As we carry His Life and allow Him to form in us, we will pour our resources into His increase and not our own betterment. We are nourishing the Seed of Christ and becoming an environment that He can grow in. We are standing against the enemy that does not want Christ to grow in us and come forth. In all these things we can become weary and depleted. Yet times of depletion and exhaustion may come because we are "mothering" for an increase of Christ, not "smothering" in our own lack, weakness and trials. After the child is brought forth the woman may feel dry and exhausted, yet God takes care of her; replenishing and nourishing her so that she will be able to stand against the evil one and continue to bring forth the Son.

How beautiful to consider that in spiritual reality we are fashioned as a corporate vessel that is bringing forth the Son together! In this way we are all called to experience motherhood, and we all have deep and eternal purpose in this calling. May the Holy Spirit bear witness in your innermost being that you are a vessel of honor, purposed to be joined corporately with the Body of Christ as a vessel that truly brings forth the Life of Jesus into this earth!

We love you and deeply appreciate you as vessels of the Son!