

# Hideaway in His Presence

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## **God is speaking an urgent message – a call of emergency to the people of God.**

We may be going about our daily routine of business as usual when our phone rings with an emergency call of extreme and urgent importance. Time seems to stand still and everything changes in that moment. The urgency involved in the emergency causes us to leave our routine of daily life. We alter all of our plans and address the urgent issue at hand. The routine issues of the day that seemed important a moment ago quickly become almost insignificant in the light of the urgent message received. Our routine business may involve important service to man and God. It may involve issues of natural importance and spiritual significance to our family and others around us. However, the emergency of the message received may involve the continued well being and effectiveness of our service to God and man.

## **Such a message is coming forth from God today.**

Broad spectrums of the body of Christ from the nominal believers to the maturing leaders of groups, congregations, and ministries are hearing the call to deep intimate oneness with God. However, many of us either do not know how, or we are failing to implement what we know to enter and remain in this intimate place of spiritual depth in oneness with God.

Words are powerful seeds but are useless if unheard or not believed. Hear what the Spirit of God is saying and live abundantly in everlasting life now and forever.

Being in love with God opens our ears and tunes our hearts to hear clearly the desires of His heart. Experiencing God's love and reflecting it back to Him also produces obedience to His desires and every word He speaks to us.

## **The urgent word from God is a call to extreme and deep worship one-on-One alone with God today and every day.**

In this season, the coming forth of the kingdom on earth and our very lives – our well being rests upon our finding our secret place of deep worship and communion with God. Some of us have heard this word before. We may have walked in it for a season. So you ask, what is new about it? **It is the urgency of the time we have entered and the existing lack in our spiritual oneness with God that has created this life or death emergency call to personal worship and communion alone with God.**

## **Corporate Meetings Do Not Replace Personal Worship**

We may have looked to powerful corporate worship and praise in weekly gatherings, and from time to time larger conferences or gatherings, to replace our daily abiding in true worship and communion with God. In so doing we may have neglected our true intimacy with God in our spiritual secret place with Him. Abiding in Christ is daily personal one-on-One living in His presence, fully connected as the branch to the vine.

Some of us may have substituted gathering in small fellowship groups in place of our abiding in our secret place alone with Him. The exciting times of sharing together may have become so service or socially focused that most of the time together is spent in discussion of personal and natural things about natural life. While we so sweetly address one another with hugs and smiles, it is as if Jesus stands in the corner desiring to spiritually embrace us and watching while we socially embrace one another. The Spirit of God jealously waits while we do our pleasantries and acknowledge one another instead of acknowledging Him.

**Fellowship in small groups, corporate worship in large groups, and loving on one another are very important parts of life in God on earth. However, the primary and most important thing is one-on-One worship and communion with God alone in our secret place.** The group things will never, never, never be what they could be if we are not one with Him alone. We may find ourselves from our souls pretending loving affection to one another or just going along with the motions of corporate worship. False smiles and hugs along with shallow or pretended worship are an abomination to God and are pleasing to the devil.

## **The Secret Place**

**The secret place refers to a spiritual place with God more than a prayer closet.** However, it is needful that there be a time and place of being entirely alone to worship and commune with God. The depth of our time in God is increased by our praying in the Spirit and meditating the written word of God. Praying in our prayer language and waiting to hear from God by the Spirit leads to our entering and abiding in the spiritual secret place. Our longing hearts are fulfilled and contamination from daily life in a fallen world is cleansed, thus opening the windows of heaven for greater revelation and intimate fellowship with God in the Spirit.

**Distractions may need to be removed.** If we can't seem to find the time and place but do find time to watch the TV, we may need to get rid of the TV or any other distraction that robs our time in personal worship and communing with God.

This closeness with God must become our lives to the point that all day long we are connected in the Spirit speaking to and hearing from God in our hearts. We will find ourselves communicating with Him about everything that is going on in our work or personal lives as it happens. We must find our secret place of alone worship and communion with Him daily.

**We are kept in the spiritual secret place with God.** Cataclysmic events will bring great travail upon the people of the world in the seasons of transformational judgements upon all that exalts itself against God. We shall not fear the treachery and devastation of world cleansing judgements. Whether we live long lives on earth or are martyred in His service, we are at perfect peace and shall be with Him now and forever. In His shadow in our secret place, the children of the kingdom shall survive to bring forth the glorious kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven.

*Psa 91:1-9: He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust". Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler And from the perilous pestilence. He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler. You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, Nor of the arrow that flies by day, Nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness, Nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; But it shall not come near you. Only with your eyes shall you look, And see the reward of the wicked. Because you have made the LORD, who is my refuge, Even the Most High, your dwelling place.*

**When we see the urgency of personal worship and communion alone with God, we will drop other things to seek the secret place with God.** We will no longer busy ourselves working or ministering, seeking to do good things to the point of neglecting our one-on-One communion with God. The enemy would have us to be running about in our natural compassion and strength seeking to put out fires of difficulties in the lives of suffering people who are experiencing transformational judgements.

When we truly grasp the urgency and value of remaining in our spiritual secret place, we may no longer take on additional jobs and extra hours of work to try to get things for the family.

The answers we need, the power and guidance that will unlock the resources of heaven to overcome every situation of life, will only be found in the secret place. We must meet with Almighty God and have His direction and empowerment before seeking to deal with the needs of our world. We must spend time close to Him, if we are going to be anointed to bring forth His life in the world.

Jesus went from one isolated place of prayer and communion with God to another, and released awesome miracles to meet the needs of people in between. Jesus today in us will do the same as He did in His natural body.

The world will not be changed – the kingdom of God will not be established – by our running around trying to put our fires. **The fires of hell will be quenched in the lives of believers as we find the secret place of power and guidance of God.**

**We must find our secret place with Him.** The first priority of disciples of Christ must be to love God with our whole heart. The secret place is that space in the Spirit in which all the world grows dim and leaves our awareness as we intimately bask in His embrace of love and glory. The comfort of the Holy Spirit in His embrace is awesome and complete. We are totally comforted no matter what our circumstances.

Our reason for living becomes to express our love for Him – to worship Him with deep all-consuming love. Our mouths and lives are filled with praise for Him as we exceedingly and lovingly admire His glory. Our hearts are melted as He pours the liquid fire of His love upon us.

This outpouring of His love brings a great desire to obey Him – to serve Him at all cost. The greatest desire of our heart is to please Him – our only fear is that of disappointing Him. We are motivated to fully serve Him and carefully obey Him.

### **Supernatural Impartation in the Secret Place**

**The empowerment and wisdom imparted to us in the secret place of intimacy with Him enables us to change the world.** Wise creative ideas and solutions to unsolvable problems can be imparted into our hearts.

Supernatural powers begin to work in the world to change natural circumstances, to cause them to come into alignment with the will of God and the assignment He has given to us. Miracles are just God working in ways we cannot explain. Nothing is impossible to the one who believes (Mark 9:23). The one in intimate love with God will believe in Him without reservation and limitation.

There remains a season of great beauty as the powerful presence of God changes the people of God and subsequently our world. Eventually the perilous persecution will give way to a time when God's people will live in a world filled with the peace of God. All who have escaped in the secret place with their lives through the time of transition and judgment will be holy – cleansed of the Lord. The kingdom of God coming forth in our world is worth all the cost.

*Isa 4:2-6: In that day the Branch of the LORD shall be beautiful and glorious; And the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and appealing For those of Israel who have escaped.*

**Keep on pursuing Love. Love never fails and His kingdom never ends.**

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