

The Journey

for followers of Christ and not of man

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The Journey begins with a *wonderful Revelation...*GOD is REAL!

Revelation of God!

Beauty beyond expression!

Magnificence beyond all human understanding!

How Great Thou Art Oh Lord,

How Great Thou Art!

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**We discover the TRULY Awesome Nature, Power
and GLORY of Our Living God!**

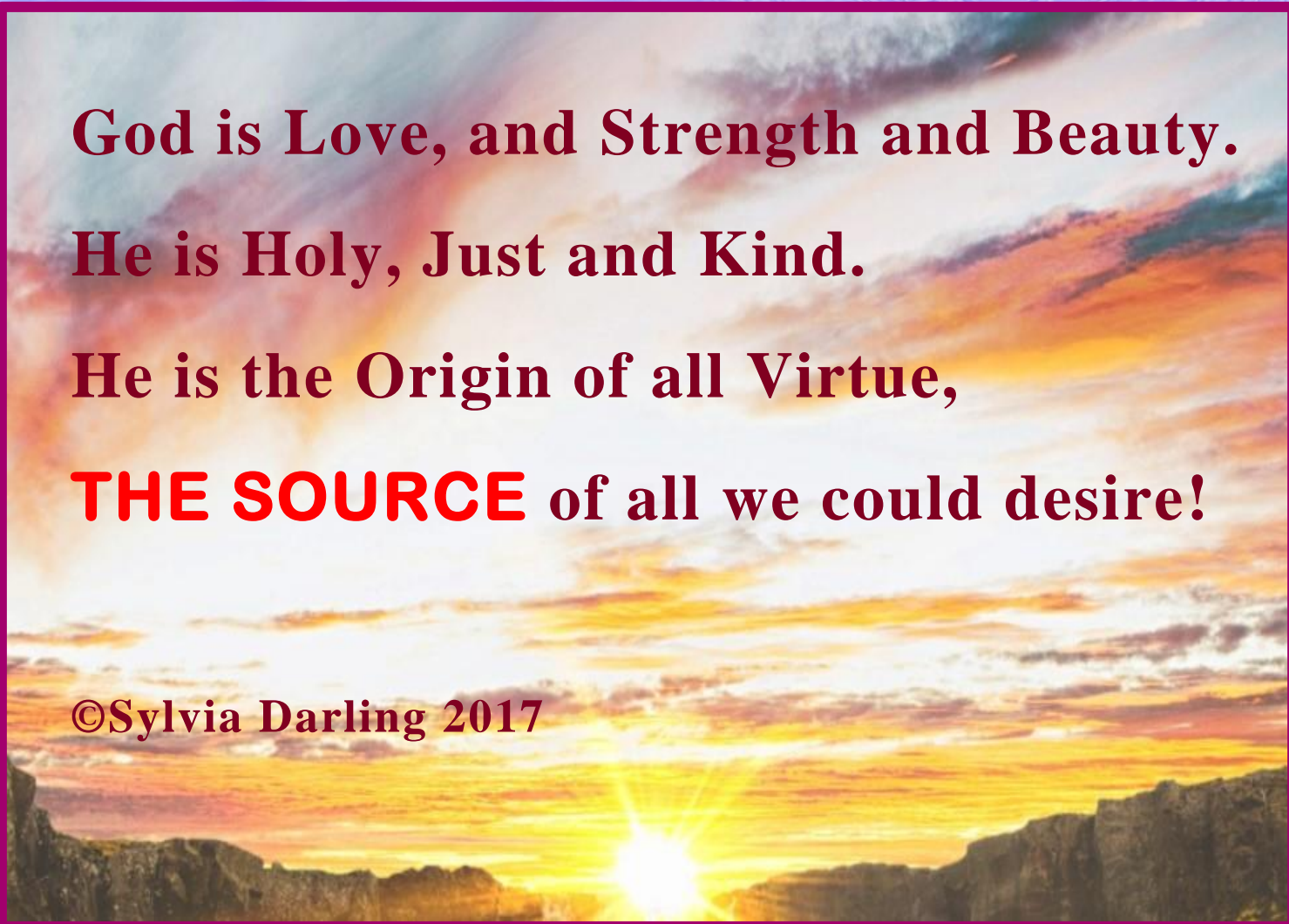
God is Love, and Strength and Beauty.

He is Holy, Just and Kind.

He is the Origin of all Virtue,

THE SOURCE of all we could desire!

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Scaling The Peak

Each move I make is another step
Along Your special path,
So many steps must still be made,
And sometimes the climbing seems hard,
But when I reach that shining peak
Where I will meet my Lord,
How tiny will those steps appear
When compared with my reward!

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A Journey of Discovery...seeking to *know* Him, allowing His Holy Spirit to work within us, healing us, guiding us, revealing spiritual truths to us as He leads us along the path He would have us take.

The next piece is a poem I wrote in the early years of my own Christian walk - many of you will have come against similar, if not the same problems in today's Ministries or Churches. Perhaps you have found that you are not 'wealthy' enough or 'important' enough to be considered of any interest *at all* to Ministers who recognize only the 'tithers' and those of sufficient status to be of benefit to the Church.

When it comes to your own individual walk with God I urge you to heed only the words and teachings of our Precious Messiah as recorded in the New Testament, and to faithfully follow the leadings of your *own* heart and *spirit*.

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart: and lean not unto thine own understanding. *In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths*". (Proverbs 3:5/6)

Walk closely with God and you cannot fail...*you will emerge safely on the other side with a new awareness, a new revelation and a deeper understanding*. Your Faith and Trust in Him will have grown through the adversity of your experience and always remember: "The Eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms". Hallelujah! (Deut:33.27)



The Moulding Machine

It seemed to be so simple,
When I was first Born Again,
I only needed to love You,
Not meet the requirements of men!
Now they've kneaded and moulded my child-like faith
And taken what once was so real,
And pummelled it into their pattern and creed,
But now, Oh how empty I feel!
Where once I called to You naturally
I've adopted their ritual or form,
Where before I always had faith to believe,
Practicality must now be the norm.
My God what has man done to me
That my faith should sink so low,
That I no longer feel that You're next to my heart,
Yet my 'knowledge' continues to grow?
For Your disciples You chose the simplest of men,
You wanted the pure in heart,
But instead of drawing us closer to You
Man is pushing us further apart.
Your Church now revolves around Courses and Marks,
"It's the degree that maketh the Man!"
But Lord – can I really not labour for You
Just doing the best that I can?
Can I really not draw on relationship and faith?
Am I worthless without a degree?
Your Word says that Your Holy Spirit
Will work all Your changes in me.
What I need in Your eyes is an open heart,
Not to go through a sausage machine
That religiously chops me to pieces
Yet leaves an outside that's shiny and clean.
I really have lost my direction,
Must I try to conform if I can?
Or do I heed the cries of my aching heart,
"Where hast thou driven my God Oh man?"

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Those who feel His Call to a *closer* walk with Him will, unfortunately, soon find themselves 'at odds' with the dictates and demands of many Churches or Ministries today, but in Mark 4:24/25 we are told *to be careful* what we hear (*what we receive into our spirits*).

“And he said unto them, *Take heed what ye hear*: with what measure you mete it shall be measured unto you: and unto you that *hear* shall be given more. For he that *hath*, to him shall be given: and from he that *hath not*, from him shall be taken even what he *hath*”. [Emphasis mine]

The more you receive *good things* into your spirit the more enlightenment will be given to you. If you receive *bad things* into your spirit *even the good things you had will be taken away!*

Sitting under the ministries of dictatorial Pastors, legalism, **or teachings that are in fact *contrary to what Scripture actually says*** leave us with *no choice but to separate ourselves from them* and continue our walk alone, keeping our eyes only on God. **Remember, we are called *of God*, not by man, and it is *His Voice* we must heed, *His Will* we must carry out, *no-one else's*.** This is a lesson we who would walk closely with God must learn very quickly - we are to be followers of God, *not pleasers of men*.

(Galatians:1.10)“....do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.”



Letting Go

Father, this has been a hard lesson to learn.
From windy hills and barren places
I've cried out to You to talk to me.
Sometimes Your answer has come so late
I have despaired, and searched my soul
For error or for sin.
I've stood on Your Word,
Believed in Your Provision,
And stared at the dark shadows all around me.
But suddenly in the stillness of night,
Surrounded by Your Peace,
I begin to understand.
I perceive the hold my wants and needs
Have upon me and am staggered.
Is it really so important,
What I eat, what I wear,
When You have clothed me in righteousness,
And spread out Your Table before me?
Oh Father, now I truly see,
Nothing else matters - only You.

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Separating ourselves from our Church is a difficult thing to do. **We are in our comfort zones, quite literally, while others *outside* lack!** Our former “friends” judge us and condemn us as “back-sliders” or “renegades”, but the words of Christ are clear: **“No man can serve two masters...Ye cannot serve God and mammon”** and the *values of mammon* and teachings of *Humanism* are all too prevalent, and indeed widely accepted as some form of ‘modernized’ and ‘updated’ “Christianity” in far too many Ministries today, but once again the teachings of Our Lord are clear: “Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth...for where your treasure is your heart will be also” (Matt 6: 19.21 + 24.25)

“And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet I say unto you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or What shall we drink? Or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. *But seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*”(Matt 6:28/33)

We are *all* probably *familiar* with these teachings of our Precious Lord but only if we TRULY SEPARATE *ourselves* from the perspectives and values of the World around us *and elect to follow Him will we ever fully understand them...clarity comes, revelation comes, and along with revelation ENLIGHTENMENT!*

How Faithful Our God is! He will lead us step by step along the path He wants us to follow, all we have to do is ask “For every one that asketh receiveth: and he that seekth findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened” Hallelujah!

Our God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him!
(Heb 11:6 & Matt 7: 7/8)

In Praise Of God!

Oh God, how wonderful it is,
To lift my heart to You
In praise and adoration!
When I see Your Glorious Light
Made manifest in my life,
I weep in awe,
And wonder that You,
Who are so Great,
Could care for me!
How bounteous is Your Grace,
How tender Your Mercy,
That enfolds us from the least
To the greatest,
In robes of Salvation,
And the Warmth of Your Love!

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ILLUMINATION!

Thy Word Is Truth!

Thy Word is Truth Oh Lord!

The Light for those that read it,

Your Love envelops all that embrace it,

Thy Word is Truth Oh Lord!

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