

THE COST OF OUR SALVATION!

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DELIVERANCE AND RESTORATION MEETING

CONSIDER THE CROSS!

PROPHECY: (Peter)

"My children, as you travel through this path of grace, this path of restoration, keep your eyes on my Son Jesus; and with every difficulty that you encounter look to the sacrifice of the Cross. Consider the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. Consider that which is described by men as the passion of the Son of God, through that long, dark night of Interrogation. Consider the treatment - the scourging of His flesh. Consider the bearing of the curse of the crown of thorns. Consider the crucifixion itself. Consider the Blood which was shed. Consider the shame and the humiliation. Consider the price of your redemption. Consider what was necessary to purchase your salvation, and then look upon your pride and crucify it. Look upon your complaints and put them to death. Look upon the measure of suffering into which you have entered in this restoration period, and be ashamed. For the Son of God gave Himself for YOU. Despise the shame. Do not waste that sacrifice. Do not measure your own suffering against it in any sense of justification, but go to your knees and honour Him who saved you. As far as it lies within your power, and I will supply that power, you must walk in His footsteps. Despise the shame. Be crucified with Him and become the new creature that I have ordained for you to become; and never let me hear you complain without first considering Jesus my Son.

And when you have considered Him, bring your petitions to me, not in anger but in gratitude, and I will make a way of escape for you."

EXPLANATION

This word was given 20 years ago after I had listened to two Christians within one week who had expressed their anger against God for different reasons.

The three references to shame in this prophecy are very important. The first reference asks us to consider the shame that the powers of darkness, through the stupor of mankind, sought to inflict upon the perfect One - all part of the price that was paid for our redemption.

We are then asked to be ashamed because of our complaining and whining over the level of testing WE experience, which cannot compare with the Passion (suffering) of the Christ - for us.

Thirdly we are to despise the shame (criticism, misunderstanding, vitriol, scorn) the enemy tries to heap upon us because we are true disciples and not of this world. We are to despise these attacks as did our Lord Jesus Christ (Heb. 12:2). Praise the Lord!