

From Our Father's Heart *
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You, My people, have missed some steps in your walk with Me.
You have avoided the cross,
fled the grave,
and attempted to live a resurrection life
without My life-giving hand upon you.
When Jesus returned from My presence, He was flesh and bone.
There was no blood or humanness in Him.
That blood was shed so that you don't have to shed yours to be like Him.
Your inner being has been renewed into the likeness of Jesus.
It has been born alive to the Spirit and responds only to the Spirit.
Pray that your inner man is endued with power and might
by the power of My Holy Spirit to be free to respond to My ways.
Pray for the determination to no longer walk in the futile life of your flesh.
Pray for the power to become dead to all that resembles the world and its ways,
so that you will be aligned with My ways and in My perfect will.
It is the way of the cross.
It is the way of Jesus.

Luke 24:39 NIV "Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see I have."

John 20:17 NIV Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet returned to the Father."

1 Cor. 15:50 NIV I declare to you, brothers, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Ephesians 3:16 AMP May He grant you out of the rich treasury of His glory to be strengthened *and* reinforced with mighty power in the inner man by the [Holy] Spirit [Himself indwelling your innermost being and personality].

Many of us attempt to approach the things of God by using our own reasoning and strength. That is one of the main reasons that our attempts to approach God and affect our world fail. The things of God are spiritual, not religious; and certainly not of the flesh.

When Mary met with Jesus, He had not yet gone to the Father. He could not be touched or contaminated by anything of the world. He was on His way to complete the most wondrous event ever. Jesus was about to seal everything that had been done in the perfect blood covenant with His Father. This act was an unbreakable, spiritual covenant made for every one of us. The life of Jesus, the cross, the tomb, the resurrection, all led to what was about to take place.

The removal of our flesh and the entering into the power of our covenant with God, in any equation with God for that matter, always follows the pattern established by Jesus. It is first the cross - an initial submission of our entire being to the Lord with subsequent submissions each time our flesh intrudes upon our new life. Then comes the tomb - the waiting on God as if dead, so that Lordship is completed in us. Finally, there is the resurrection - the empowering of our spiritual being by the Holy Spirit, that new inner man receiving spiritual power and might, responding in spiritual ways. The result is the ability to flow in the compassions of Jesus through the perfection of God's established ways.

Do it Your way, Lord – Jim Corbett