



Morning Glory!

Oh God, thou art my God;
Early will I seek thee:
My soul thirsteth for thee

Psalm 63:1



Sent from on High

**“And the Lord said unto Moses, go down, charge the people...
So Moses went down to the people and spake unto them.”**

Exodus 19:21;25

Much is said in today's standard Christian lexicon about driving toward “destiny” and pursuing “purpose” and discovering “vision” and having “outlook” and being “prophetic”. All of these exhortations deserve merit and are necessary spiritual revelation to apply and strive to live into. Indeed, the body of Christ, me included, has become focused on these as the central ingredients necessary for a desired depth or quality of life with God. These catch words have become almost a kind of panacea, if you will, for all that ails the Christian.

Moses was a man who knew a little bit about destiny and purpose and future outlook and being prophetic also. This man of God is perhaps known as the first of the Major Prophets, called to lead God's people into their destiny of Promised Land, who possessed an enduring vision from God of freedom and liberation for the people he led. Yet he teaches us something about vision and purpose and destiny that we sometimes overlook.

Confronting the obstacles associated with arriving at your destiny will require you to have been with God in an intimate way. You're going to need something more than yourself to hold on to in order to handle all of the mess and the mishaps on the mission and in the ministry. It's good to arrive at destiny. But when you get there, everything ain't always peaches and cream. When you get where you're going the critical question will be, “where have you been?” You better be able to say to yourself and to the people around you, “I've been with God and I'm alright!”

You see, everybody's talking about where they are going. But few are talking about where they've been. And here, I'm not talking about holding on to some past glory or recognition or achievement. And I'm certainly not talking about holding on to the setbacks of your past. I'm talking about your need to have some “sho nuff” God encounters, some intimate moments with the Lord, some up close and personal time with the Father! I'm talking about some worship experiences and prayer encounters and fasting endeavors and depths of study where you leave having been face to face with the God of your salvation, so that whatever you have to face when you arrive in the valley associated with your destiny, you'll be able to stand and say, “I know who I am and whose I am because I've been sent from on high. I've been with the Lord!” Where you been? Where you've been will dictate whether you can handle where you're going!

Pray this:

**Lord of glory, before I go down to face the mission of the ministry
take me up to encounter you face to face.**

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