

**Devotional Thoughts :: God's Fullness in Christ - Sparks****God's Fullness in Christ - Sparks - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2010/8/16 16:12**

Open Windows for August 16

In Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. (Colossians 2:9).

Oh! those subtle suggestions that are ever being whispered in our ears, that if we give up this and that we are going to lose, and life is going to be poorer, and we are going to be narrowed down until we have nothing left. It is a lie! That is the thing that is countering God's great thought for us. God's thought for us is that one, no less than His Son, Jesus Christ, in Whom all the fulness of the Godhead dwells in bodily form, should be our fulness. All the fulness of God in Christ for us! You never attain to that by rejecting Him. Life must be much less than it need be if you are not going all the way with the Lord; and what obtains in the matter of our consecration to the Lord, our entire and complete abandonment to Him in our life and our complete cut with all that is not of the Lord, obtains in the realm of service. This flesh loves to sport itself in Christian work, and tells us that if we are going to be dependent upon the Lord we are going to have an anxious time. But a life of dependence upon God can be a life of continual romance. It is there that we make discoveries which are a constant wonder.

You may be nearly dead one minute and in the next the Lord gives you something to do and you are very much alive, dependent upon Him for every breath you breathe. But thus you come to know the Lord. Then after that experience you are just as helpless and dead again for a while, but you remember that the Lord did something. Then He does it again; and so life becomes a romance; yet no one would ever guess you were depending on the Lord for your very breath. It is a very blessed thing to know the Lord is doing it, when you could not do it at all; it is, humanly, naturally, impossible, but the Lord is doing it!

From: Christ - All, and In All

Re: God's Fullness in Christ - Sparks - posted by buttermilk80 (), on: 2010/8/17 14:04

He is God, we are but His servants. Yet He counts us as more. This, from Jeremiah has come to mind:

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you, declares the Lord.

Gently, He urges us into a better service. As Kelly Willard once sang: "If you don't have a willing heart. Ask Him to give you one."

By His Grace.

Re: God's Fullness in Christ - Sparks - posted by sojourner7 (), on: 2010/8/17 14:14

All the fullness of the Father dwells in the Son of His love. When we receive Jesus as our LORD, we receive the inheritance as children of GOD. GOD has richly blessed His own children of faith with all they could desire or need according to His Will. All HE has promised us is ours in the precious Name of Jesus.

If we need wisdom; He will give us wisdom. {James 1:5} If we lack righteousness; HE will be our righteousness {see II Cor 5:21} In JESUS we find our peace, in JESUS we have hope, in JESUS is our glory and our life!!