



A Garment to the foot

By Robert Burgess

'And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle (Rev 1:13).'

Dear Saints of the Most High;

The above Passage of Scripture is a picture of Y'shua Messiah in all His Glory as the 'Son of Man' - the Personification of the 'Fulness of the Godhead' expressed 'Bodily.' But this 'Expression' doesn't stop merely with the person of Y'shua, it also includes the 'Whole Body,' of which Y'shua is the Head:

'From whom (Y'shua) the WHOLE BODY fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love (Eph 4:16).'

The thing that the Lord has been dealing with me about in this is that the 'Garment (or, Covering)' of His Spirit is clear 'Down to the FOOT,' or Walk.. I believe that the [b]Walk[/b] of the believer is the singular most important element in our Manifesting the Power and Glory of our Lord Y'shua Messiah. There are many who can surely 'Talk the Talk,' but very few of us have attained to the mastery of 'Walking the Walk.' This is not an attempt to put anyone down, or to make myself appear to be any further along than the least member of His Great Body, I don't really think any of us are much further along than most of our brethren. Oh, it may be a good possibility that someone is much further 'Down the Road' from their brother in one certain area, but chances are that they may be falling drastically short in another place in which their brother far excels them. The evidence of the baptism in the Holy Spirit is to most of the Body of Christ, 'Speaking in Tongues.' While I don't have any problem with this as a doctrine as a whole, I believe that God desires that a 'Walking Out' in shoe leather would manifest the evidence of His indwelling Spirit. I mean, Speaking in tongues is a truly wonderful thing, but there needs to be a further manifestation of 'Walking' in the same Spirit we are so adept at 'Talking' in. Don't anyone take these words wrong, I am not trying to be critical of anyone for not having the ability yet to 'Walk, even as He Walked;' the Lord is showing me the necessity of the Birthing of the 'Feet' or the 'Walking Ability' of the Manchild. I know we usually deal with the Feet of the Manchild as a 'Company' but could it not be that the Lord expects that 'Every Member' of this great Manchild Company should be Covered by the same 'Garment' of the Spirit and be endued to 'Walk' in it, even as Y'shua the Messiah 'Walked??'



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'He that saith he abideth in Him ought HIMSELF also so to walk, even as HE walked (1 John 2:6).'

Some time ago I wrote an article on the 'Beautiful Feet of the Savior,' where the Lord showed us how these 'Feet' had walked in a 'Furnace of Affliction' and been 'Tried, so as by FIRE.' Afflictions don't accomplish anything positive in us until we first learn to keep our Feet 'Covered' by the Garment of the Holy Spirit as we are being tested. I for one, have been sorely afflicted in many areas of life and must confess that I haven't been changed for the better all that much. I have found that usually in the midst of the afflictions I start looking for some 'way of escape' rather than simply 'Looking unto Y'shua.' He is our one and only valid 'Way of Escape ' in times of trials and from the pressures of this life.

'There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a WAY to escape, that ye may be ABLE to BEAR IT. Wherefore (or, Because of this), my dearly beloved, FLEE from IDOLATRY (1 Cor 10:13-14).'

Idolatry:

Idolatry is anything that takes the place of the Lord in our lives. When we look for other 'Ways' of Escape we find ourselves looking to 'Things' that will help us get out of our misery, instead of looking to the ONE who IS the WAY.. All our Ability must come from the Lord or it is not going to be sufficient to do any real good for anyone, ourselves included.. The Ability of Messiah will not necessarily deliver us 'OUT OF' the trial of our Faith, but it will impart unto us the ABILITY to BEAR IT.. At this point I am reminded of our dear Brother, Watchman Nee; he was offered many opportunities to leave China before his eventual arrest and life imprisonment, but he steadfastly refused. It probably wouldn't have been such a great 'Sin' for him to have taken the easy way out, and left before the fires of tribulation got hot. But the Lord had shown him that he was to be imprisoned for the witness of Y'shua Messiah, and he willingly did so.. In all the years Brother Nee spent in a Communist Prison he 'Kept the Faith;' He, along with the multitudes who were imprisoned by the Communists was forced to undergo constant and rigorous forms of 'Brainwashing,' which was calculated to bring the prisoners into line with the Communistic way of thinking. He never recanted, or denied the faith; therefore he was never released upon the community to preach Y'shua the Messiah again.

I believe that Brother Nee had found what Paul was talking about, Y'shua, the 'Way to Escape.' The 'Way' to be 'ABLE' to be FREE to bear all things, even under the worst circumstances and not crumble under any kind of pressure from within or without.. In the years preceding his captivity Brother Nee wrote some dynamic things; but if he had capitulated to Communism, as they desired him to, all those wonderful teachings would have been suspect.. I am not saying that



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every word he taught was exact and precise, there were areas of Revelation that he didn't have, just as there are amongst some of us here on the boards. But what I AM saying is, that he had attained to a truth that was more precious than some of the things that we talk about all the time. If our level of revelation is higher in some ways than his, still what he had in Y'shua was yet more powerful so far as the 'Walk' was concerned, than what many of us good 'Talkers' have today.

'And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the FEET of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things (Rom 10:15)!'

See how important the 'Walk' is here? If we are truly 'Sent (Ordained)' to preach this wonderful Gospel of Peace, then along with that Anointing to Preach (Talk) should also be the same kind of Anointing to 'Walk, even as Y'shua..'

'That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of WATER by the WORD, That he might present it to himself a GLORIOUS CHURCH, not having SPOT (or STAIN), or WRINKLE (i.e. CROOKED PLACE), or ANY such thing; but that it should be HOLY and WITHOUT BLEMISH. So ought men to LOVE their WIVES as their OWN BODIES. He that loveth his WIFE loveth HIMSELF (Eph 5:26-28).'

SELAH (Pay attention Brothers)!!

'He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poureth water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded (John 13:4-5).'

The word for 'Towel' here is 'Lention,' meaning 'A Linen Cloth;' Notice that Y'shua took the 'Same Cloth (or Covering)' wherewith He Himself was 'Girded (as a Servant)' and began to wash His disciples 'Feet' - in the 'Water (of the Word).'

Before He got through here, they all had their feet washed in the 'Same Water' using the 'Same Garment.' I can't tell you how much this speaks to me of my own personal need to be 'Washed' in the 'Same Water' by that 'Same Garment' as Y'shua's disciples were washed in. We are blessed to have so much revelation of the Word made available to us on the internet; Some of the greatest teachers who have ever lived are no doubt alive today, we are able to 'Eat the Flesh (Word) of the Son of Man' daily, and even to 'Drink of His Blood (Spirit Nature)' - yet when all is said and done, after all our Feasting is over, there still remains the need to be further 'Washed' in the area of our 'Feet..'

'And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under YOUR FEET shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Messiah be with you. Amen (Rom 16:20).'

Love to all



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