

#100 THE DREAM.....

As I walk I approach a man dressed in white garments who is seated. My eyes are drawn to his hands, hands that I know once knew great agony. Then I see the scars. I stand still, knowing this is Jesus and He is talking with someone. Though I could not make out the sentences I could every now and then hear, "and Father." Sensing a conversation of intimacy I quietly withdraw.

Upon awakening I get an impression of that section of Scripture that deals with Thomas' requiring to see the risen Lord's hands. As I pick up my Bible, it opens at random to that very portion:

"Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and see my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and put it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing" (John 20:27).

This dream may have been in response to my pondering mood in dry seasons of intercession. Doubt and unbelief were attacking my mind taking advantage of long delayed answers. The Lord was allowing me to see and understand more lessons in prayer. We must be reminded that Christ has paid a heavy price to redeem us. He also by His merit puts us in good standing with God to enable us to treat Him as our Father. All our prayers and intercessions are channeled through Jesus and by His name unto the Father. Christ is our great intercessor as revealed in Romans 8:27 and 8:34:

"...and he (Jesus) that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God."

"...It is Christ Jesus that died, yea rather, that was raised from the dead, who is at the

right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us."

When times come in which we have prayed "with all prayer" and can seem to do no more, then we must trust in Christ's intercession. He knows the Father's will very well. He knows our prayers and desires. He will edit our imperfect and often feeble expressions so that they will be consistent with the Father's will and plans. This is the time for us to wait and watch quietly for the Father's answers to come on His schedule.