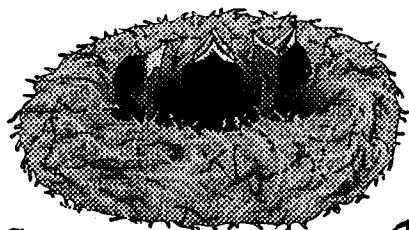
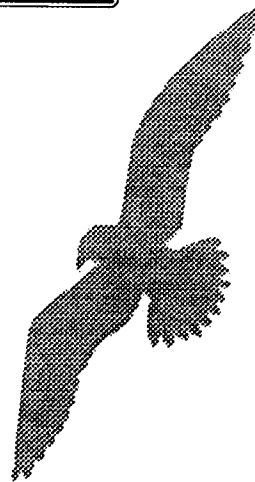


*"They shall
mount up...*

ON EAGLES' WINGS

*... with wings
as eagles."*

Isaiah 40:31



AERY NUGGETS

"Beloved, now are we children of God, and what we shall be has not yet been manifested, but we know that if He is manifested we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is". 1 John 3:2 (New Translation)

Beloved,

The above portion has been much before me of late in the thoughts of the Rapture and the Judgment Seat of Christ to follow.

How stupendous is the thought—"we shall be like Him!"--- the pure grace of God that has picked us up from "...the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock; He hath established my goings". (Ps.40.2) I realize that specifically this portion speaks of Christ in all He endured for us; yet, has it not an application for our own experience---where we were and where He has brought us?

This brings to mind the hymn:

"Thou wouldst like wretched man be made
In everything but sin,
That we as like Thee might become,
As we unlike had been."

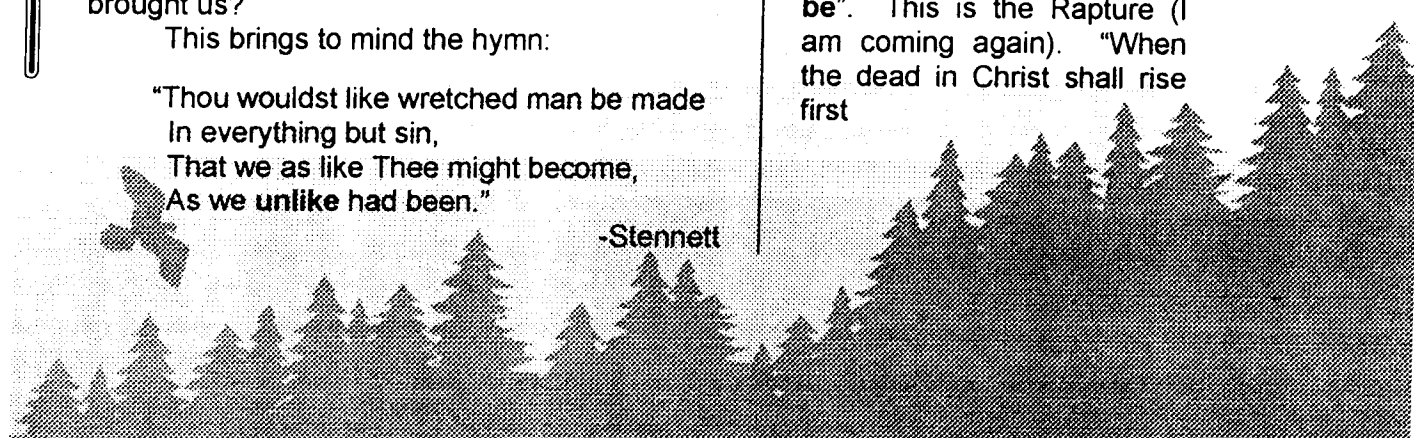
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We are reminded of at least three results of the work of Christ on Calvary's cross.

1. By believing we are saved and "accepted in the Beloved".— One with Him, our risen, glorified Lord. So that positionally we are "without spot" in God's sight.

2. In our experience we are exhorted to "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ". In the language of II Cor. 4 we are given the power to perform... "Because it is the God who spoke that out of darkness light should shine Who has shone in our hearts for the shining forth of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the surpassingness of the power may be of God and not from us"

3. Going back to the verse in I John 3..When will that be that "we shall see Him as He is?". I Cor. 15 and I Thess 4 speak of that event commonly known as the Rapture. The Lord told His disciples in Jn. 14:2-3 "for I go to prepare you a place, and, if I go and shall prepare you a place, I am coming again and shall receive you to Myself, that where I am ye also may be". This is the Rapture (I am coming again). "When the dead in Christ shall rise first



and then those that are alive and remain shall be caught up together to meet the Lord in the clouds". And it will be in spiritual, glorified bodies.

Earlier we were reminded that He is going to be manifested (at the Rapture) and we too shall be manifested as we have been shown in II Cor.5 as we stand before the Judgment Seat of Christ (the Bema) "For we must all be **manifested** before the Judgment Seat of Christ that each may receive the **things done** in the body, according to those he has done, whether it be "**good or evil**". What a prospect to have our **deeds** manifest there before the Lord Who will assess our **deeds, conduct and motives righteously**.

What will it be to have those things manifested which the LORD calls "good"? How the infinite grace of our Lord Jesus is manifested thus! If we would refer to I Cor. 3.14 we see the examination of everyone's **works** good or evil. What will be the result of what is **evil**? Verse 15 shows "If the work of anyone shall be consumed (burned up), he shall suffer **loss** (no reward) but he himself shall be saved, but as through the fire". But the Believer's **sins** were completely judged and put away at Calvary. "There is then **now no condemnation** to these in Christ Jesus", Romans 8:1.

What a blessed time this will be when all is examined **righteously** by the Lord Jesus and we shall say amen since at this time **we shall be like Him** and see ourselves as He sees us. This further brings up the future of the wicked. At this time knowing the awfulness of sin in the expression "Knowing the terror of the Lord we persuade **men**". What an exhortation for us now in reaching out to those who are on their way to the Lake of Fire!

Oh! May the Lord give us the grace to live in the light of the Judgment Seat of Christ!

Here is a poem I believe familiar to many...

THEY'RE DEAR TO GOD

O that when Christians meet and part,
These words were graved on every heart---

They're dear to God!

However willful and unwise,
We look on them with loving eyes---

They're dear to God!

Oh, wonder!...to the Eternal One,
Dear as His own beloved Son;
Dearer to Jesus than His blood,
Dear to the Spirit's fixed abode---

They're dear to God!

When tempted to give pain for pain,
How would this thought our words restrain,

They're dear to God!

When truth compels us to contend,
What love with all our strife should blend!

They're dear to God!

When they would shun the pilgrim's lot
For this vain world, forget them not;
But win them back with love and prayer,
They never can be happy there, ---
If dear to God.

Shall we be there so near, so dear,
And be estranged and cold whilst here---
All dear to God?

By the same cares and toils opprest,
We lean upon one faithful Breast,
We hasten to the same repose;
How bear or do enough for those ---
So dear to God!

I have found the thoughts of this poem to be very searching. How the sentiments test our motivation in dealing with others.

Affectionately in our soon coming Lord,

Albert E. Keiller



IN TIMES OF TRIAL

Jesus brought me here. By His will I am
In this straight place; in that will I "rejoice"
(I Peter 4:12,13).

Even here He will keep me "in His love"
(Isa. 63:9) and give me "grace and glory"
(Ps. 84:11; Romans 5:3,5).

Surely He will make the trial "a blessing"
(Deut. 23:5), teaching me lessons He
wants me to learn (Heb. 5:8)

Under the trial I will be quiet (Ps. 37:7,mar),
For in His good time He will bring me out
Again—just how and when, He knows best
(Zephaniah 3:19, 20).

So then, I am here —
By God's appointment (II Tim. 2:12).
In His keeping (I Peter 1:5)
Under His training (Revelation 3:19).
For His time (Ecclesiastes 3:11).
That I may glorify Him (I Peter 4:16).
And comfort others (II Cor. 1:4-6).

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