

GROUND FIRE



"It is Well With My Soul"
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"I came to cast fire upon the earth."

There is only one real Revival.

There is no other.

***"I came to cast fire upon the earth;
and would that it were already kindled!
I have a baptism to be baptized with;
and how I am constrained until it is accomplished!"***

Luke 12: 49-50

It began as his Baptism of Fire.

The fire of God fell upon Jesus as he expired on the cross.
Three days later the fire began to spread.

The fire moved across the earth at the command of the Risen Lord, went only where he sent it.

This fire always moves along the ground, down where the people are.

It opens blind eyes,
sets the captives free,
raises us out of our self-obsessed graves.

This fire is not fueled by money.

It needs no protection from those in high places.

This fire is controlled by God alone.

This fire ignites us.



"Holy Love" Deborah Nell

Our lives burst into flame, as the fire of God consumes our hearts, drives us out of ourselves into the will of heaven.

Aflame with this fire, we are crucified with Christ. It is no longer we who live, but Christ who lives in us.

Once this fire is in us, it spreads from us to others.

This fire compels us

*If I say, "I will not mention him,
or speak any more in his name,"
there is in my heart as it were a burning fire
shut up in my bones,
and I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.*

Jeremiah 20:9



Trusting You" Deborah Nell

We don't bear witness to the Master out of obligation.

We bear witness because we cannot contain the fire!

This fire refines us

*But who can endure the day of his coming,
and who can stand when he appears?
For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap;
he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver,
and he will purify the sons of Levi
and refine them like gold and silver,
till they present right offerings to the LORD.*

Malachi 3:2-3



The fire of the Lord burns away our vanity until we present “right offerings” to the Lord.

“Right offerings” are simply lives that stay crucified with Christ.

This fire anoints us with power.

*And there appeared to them tongues as of fire,
distributed and resting on each one of them.
And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in other tongues,
as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

Acts 2:3-4

This fire burns with the power of Truth.



"Spirit of the Living God" Deborah Nell

It destroys our pretenses, draws us to the Light of God.

"I came to cast fire upon the earth."

Man-made revivals are useless.

Only the fire of God can do the job.

Prayer

Holy Lord, cast your fire within us. Ignite us, bursting us into flames for you. Compel us with your loving nature until we cannot contain your fire. We bare our souls in the midst of your flames. Refine us, burn away our pride, our insincerity and any impurity within us. May we be anointed with power on high so we may bear witness to you and spread your fire across this earth.

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