ABIDING IN THE WISDOM – THE SECRET PLACE OF THE ALMIGHTY

(Psalm 91; Proverbs 3:13-18)

Happy is the man who finds Wisdom; for the gaining of it is better than the gaining of silver and the profit of it better than fine gold; Wisdom is more precious than rubies; and nothing you can wish for is to be compared to her; length of days is in her fight hand, and in her left hand are riches and honor; her ways are highways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace; She is a tree of life to those who lay hold on her; and happy is everyone who holds her fast; Wisdom brings life to the inner self and a gracious ornament to the neck (outer self).

Happy is the man who finds Wisdom, for he has found the fountain and the treasure of life; nothing in this world is to be compared to her in value. The man who finds Wisdom has found everything he will ever need for life; his paths will be paths of peace wherever he goes; he will experience the most precious and wonderful feeling as he goes through the paths of life in a continuous joy that will sparkle into love; the man who treasures Wisdom as his own life and holds unto her will enjoy happiness and life forever more.

To abide in the Secret Place of the Almighty is to be hidden in the shadow of Wisdom. The promises found in Psalms ninety-one for those abiding in the Secret Place of the Almighty parallel well with that of Proverbs three verses 13-18 for those who embrace Wisdom. Those who are hidden in Wisdom will enjoy walking securely and in confident trust; they will not dash his foot or stumble because Wisdom's highways are highways of pleasantness and her paths are peace and the Lord will be their confidence, firm and strong and He shall keep their foot from being caught (Prov. 3:17,23, 26); those who are abiding in the Secret Place of the Almighty will be carried up by angels so that their foot will not dash against a stone; they will accompany them, defend and protect them (Psalm 91:11-12); hidden in Wisdom, those will lie down shall not be afraid; their sleep will be sweet; they will not fear the sudden terror and panic, nor of the stormy blast or the storm and ruin of the wicked when it comes (Prov. 3:24-25); those abiding in the Secret Place of the Almighty will not be afraid of the terror of the night nor of the arrow that flies by day, not of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor of the destruction and sudden death that surprise and lay waste at noonday; a thousand may fall at their side and then thousand at their right hand, but it shall not come near them, only a spectator will they be [inaccessible in the secret place of the Almighty] as they witness the reward of the wicked (Psalm 91: 5-8).

Wisdom referred here has nothing to do with worldly wisdom, for the world's wisdom, according to Paul, is foolishness with YAHWEH; the Lord knows the thoughts and reasonings of the wise and recognizes how futile they are

(I Cor. 3:19-20). Wisdom referred here is the essence of YAHWEH in His Son YAHSHUA shared with those who seek Him and abide in Him; but you also belong to YAHWEH through Messiah YAHSHUA who was made Wisdom for us from YAHWEH (I Cor. 1:30). Wisdom referred here is the fear of the Lord- the reverence, to feel awe, to regard Him with great respect, and to

worship the Lord with all heart and mind in submission to obedience. He who dwells in the Secret Place of the Almighty is securely hidden in YAHSHUA, the source of wisdom and our faith and hope. As pilgrims, we must remain dwelling in the shelter of Wisdom – the secret place of the Almighty to arrive safely to our heavenly destination. When the Israelites walked the desert on their way to Cana they were protected by a cloud during the day and by a pillar of fire by night; nothing in the course of their journey harmed them, only their sins against YAHWEH. The rays of the sun didn't harm them; the darkness of the night was overshadowed by the light coming from the presence of YAHWEH, Who went with them; as long as they remained in the secret place of the Almighty, they were secured under the shadow of Wisdom. The evidence of one leaving and straying from His secret place is seen in a life voided of blessings; in the case of the Israelites, many died in the desert without seen the Promised Land.

Those who hearken to Wisdom shall dwell securely and in confident trust and shall be quiet, without fear or dread of evil (Prov. 2:33); they will call upon Wisdom and will be heard; YAHWEH will be with them in their trouble; they will be delivered from evil; they will be honored and will be satisfied with health and long life because they dwelled faithfully in the secret place of the Almighty, under the shadow of Wisdom. The sun will not smite them in the day time; the terror of the night will not come to them; He will keep them from all evil.

YAHSHUA has provided us the Secret Place where we can be hidden in Him- Wisdom. It is Wisdom that guides and protects us through knowledge and discretion and understanding; Wisdom leads us to all truth, paving the way for us to walk without stumbling in this world so full of obstacles. Wisdom is also the light that guides us through the darkness of our nights as we walk to the Promised Land; Wisdom is a lamp illuminating the paths we take and a light – understanding and discernment which brightens the way ahead of us; YAHSHUA, the source of our wisdom, lives in unapproachable light; He warms us with understanding of the knowledge of Him and reveals us His truth; the path of Wisdom is paved with faith, hope and love and those who continue dwelling in Him will remain stable under the shadow of Wisdom and in no way, shape or form he will be misguided in his pilgrimage to the Promise Land. To remain abiding in the Secret Place of the Almighty does not guarantee us freedom from trouble, but it guarantees us His presence, His protection, spiritual stability, and security.

Whatever direction you are taking to the Promised Land, make sure it is through the Secret Place of the Almighty. YAHSHUA agonized in Gethsemane, and died on the hill of Calvary, outside the City, to offer you the way that will take you there.

He who dwells in the Secret Place of the Almighty shall remain stable under the shadow of the Almighty – Wisdom (Psalm 91:1)!

THINK ABOUT IT!