

# Thanksgiving Fire!

I Corinthians 3:13 declares,

*"...the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is ... don't you know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?"*

Now God is interested in only one thing: YOU! He is madly in love with you! He longs to have fellowship with you! He has paid the price to make such a thing possible! The Bible likens God's love for us to fire. Our God is a consuming fire. Having fellowship with our Lord requires you and I to have an ability to stand in this fire and not be burned! How is this possible? By living in the realm of the Spirit and not just the natural realm. Thank God for Jesus!

You see, there is a Way which He opened to us through the Spirit of God. And there is a unique Way that the Spirit of God moves. The ways of the Spirit are not the ways of this world. If we follow and live only by the dictates of this world, our ways will be contrary to the Spirit of God. Remember, God's plan and design is this: you are His temple. We are His building not made with hands! Jesus Christ washed away our sin by becoming sin for us. Have you received this into your life? Because our sin has been paid for, completely removed by the cross and resurrection, now we have access to His Holy Spirit!

The Spirit of God does not work according to our understanding nor our time line. The Spirit of God operates in the spirit, through the spirit. It will always appear as foolishness to the world. To understand His Ways we must also understand His Nature. God is Love, but He also is Fire! When He fills His temple, He wants you to stand in the midst and not be burnt! Many times the Spirit of God withholds and withdraws Himself out of His love for us until we let go of harmful things – until we surrender completely. Just remember, He wants to bless you! Shifting from the flesh to the spirit, from selfishness to godliness, from a form of power to actual power, from mere knowledge to genuine love opens our hearts to the enormity of God's Presence moving in our midst!

So, on this special thanksgiving day, let God's love for you and His holy fire envelop you completely!

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