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The Rose Of Sharon

Beyond The Moulding Machine

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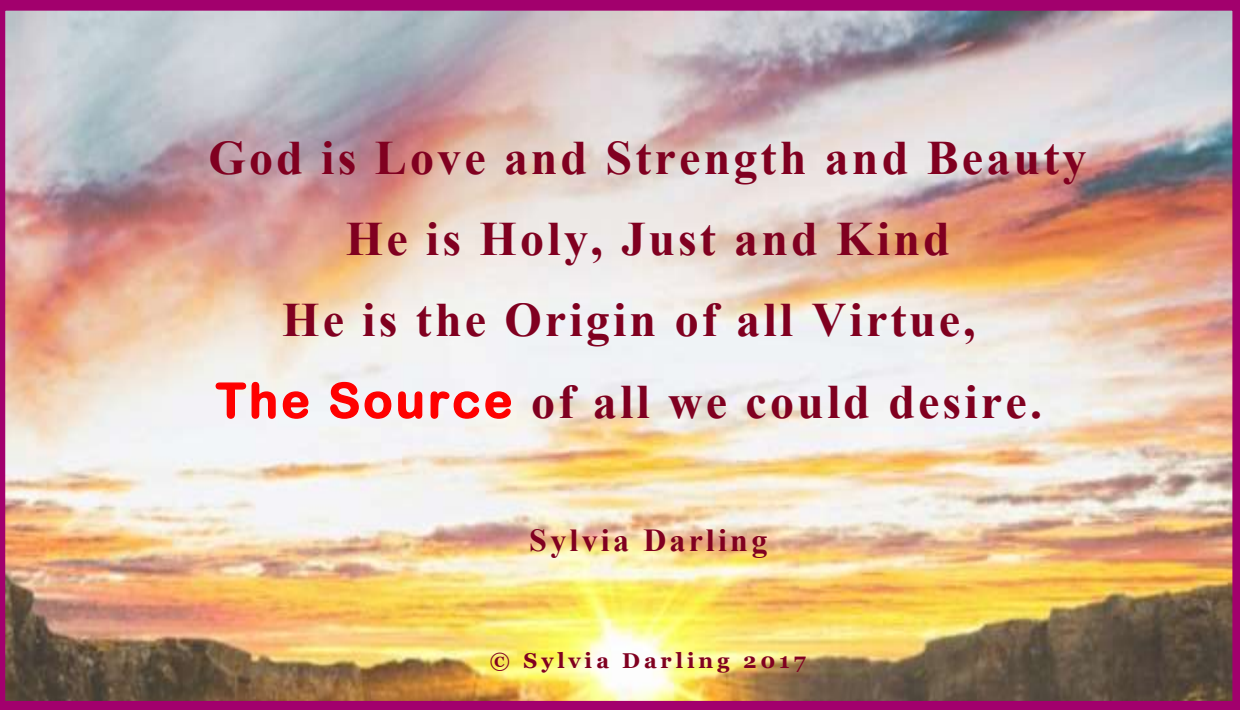
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“Then the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.” (Jeremiah 1:4/5 KJV)

Join me in the next leg of my journey as my period of separation from Churches, Ministries and ‘works’ brings forth *wonderful ILLUMINATION* from Gods’ Holy Spirit that sets me *FREE* and places my feet firmly on the path *He had ORDAINED for me to follow.*

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God is Love and Strength and Beauty
He is Holy, Just and Kind
He is the Origin of all Virtue,
The Source of all we could desire.

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Oh Father, how deceived I've been! I've tried to be 'holy' and 'righteous' as though either of these things could be achieved by my own efforts! In trying to please You I slipped into 'works' *striving to do whatever I could to make myself more 'acceptable' to You* and of course, I soon found myself at the end of *my own* resources, exhausted, bewildered and lost: further away from You *then* than I had been at the start. *How foolish, when it really was SO SIMPLE!* You called me to 'BE' not to 'DO'! *You called me to revel in YOUR Righteousness not fret about my own!* We are saved by GRACE, *never* by works! You accept me *as I am*, not because of what I might *become* through striving: *You accept me because of the Shed Blood of Jesus Christ, not because of any 'Cloak' of righteousness MAN would have me 'assume' - YOU ARE MY RIGHTEOUSNESS!* Man puts on fine robes that speak of splendid things yet belie what lies in the soul.

In this difficult and perplexing time I have *hesitated* and sometimes even *feared* to call upon Your Name so great has my confusion been, *yet all the while You have been Watching over me, Guiding me, Encouraging me, Willing me to find the way YOU want me to progress and grow, and warning me to be far less influenced by the opinions of others!* Truly Thou Art Worthy to be Praised! You seek to release us from the burden our own foolishness puts upon us *when we seek to win for ourselves what you have freely given by Your Grace!* We strive to do what cannot be done by our own efforts but can *only* be worked in us by Your Precious Holy Spirit! Our part is merely to *BELIEVE* and to enter into *FELLOWSHIP* with You, we must let Your Word *LIVE* in us, *for it is YOUR WORD operating in our lives and living in our hearts that brings forth righteous fruit, nothing good can ever come from our own fleshly efforts.*



**Oh what a foolish thing is man
Who will ever try to do in his own strength
What You would have him do in Yours,
Forever collapsing under a burden
You didn't give him to carry!**

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Help me Father to *revel* in the FREEDOM You have given me *and not to assume burdens of my own*. Help me *delight myself* in the pure, unselfish nature of Your Love, for You desire to release man into realizing the *fullness* of himself – *his ultimate spiritual potential* – whilst *here* in the *flesh*. Until then he cannot even *glimpse* the true *wonder* of Christs' Great Redemption, its' meaning has been watered down through the Ages 'til we perceive but a fraction of Your intended Glorious Blessing. We kick and scream while You struggle to release us from bondages' we didn't know we *had* into realms *we never dreamt existed!* We attain *all* through the Fruit of Your Holy Spirit, nurtured in us by Your Holy and Forgiving Hand!