

"Oh That I Had In The Wilderness A Lodging Place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my people, and go from them! For they be all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men." Jeremiah 9:2 KJV

With all the evil, treachery and tyranny that surrounds us, one could wish for an isolated forest lodge to escape from it all. A place of solitude and peace where simplicity rules the day and hard work has its own reward. A place for quiet fireside contemplation without the intrusion of electronic media. A place where sleep is restful and the fare is plain but tasty. In the absence of such a



place, we must learn to retreat to the solace of meditation and prayer for that is where we find God. *"Great Peace have they which love Thy Law and NOTHING shall offend them!"* It seems the more temporal prosperity we acquire the less peace we have. We depend less and less on God. We become so dependent on our resources that their loss becomes a time of fretting and worry. We have forgotten God is the source of all benefit and provision. We must learn to be content and satisfied with what God Has Provided, trusting that it is sufficient for any need. *"This Book of the Law (God's Word) shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate Therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to ALL That Is Written Therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."* There is GOOD success and BAD success. You can succeed at murder! We must learn the difference between true needs and covetousness. God Has Promised To Answer our prayers and supply our needs if we ask Him. *"Ye have not, because ye ask not. Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts."* Once we learn the difference we can present our needs and receive our supply from Heaven's Bounty. The Lord's Model Prayer Teaches we should petition for the needs of each day. *"Give us THIS DAY our DAILY bread."* We have no guarantees of tomorrow or need thereof if we walk with God. We are to take no thought for raiment or food, because our Heavenly Father Already Knows what we need. He Awaits our request. We need only trust Him. He Delights in our dependence. Like any father, He often surprises us with unexpected gifts. We need to learn to love the Giver and not the gift. His Presence Provides the Peace, the quiet, the solace, and the rest we so desperately need to cope with daily stresses. We must seek Him early and often. He never disappoints and *"is a Rewarder of them that diligently seek Him."* He always Heals the broken hearted that come to Him. He always Forgives the humble penitent who seek His Mercy. He always Supplies the needs of the Faithful. Let us not visit, Father, let us dwell with Him!

A place to tarry unperturbed,
A place where nothing can disturb,
A place of nought but Father's Love,
A place supplied from up above. –CGP

Father's Gifts Are Precious and His Supply Is Endless. It is pure folly to go elsewhere!

"Every Good Gift and every Perfect Gift Is From Above, and Cometh Down From The Father of Lights, with Whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning." James 1:17 KJV