

making my way to You

"so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us." acts 17:27

these are some words of a song were written to describe a search for true love. it was meant to be in the natural, but we all need to find our way home to the supernatural One.

i ran full speed ahead  
without stopping to rest  
not knowing where i was headed to  
now that i'm here, it's perfectly clear  
i was making my way to You

i tried to rush finding true love  
it didn't pan out like thought it would  
it took me some time  
but i got here as fast as i could  
can't believe how long it took  
but i got here as fast as i could  
yeah i got here as fast as i could

are you running as fast as you can to find your true love? and if you've found Him, are you doing all you can to keep that "first love" spirit burning in your breast? making our way to Jesus is not just a one time experience in this life. it is a continual making our way to Him until we take our last breath in this life. it is only that continuance and abiding that will result in a last breath here and a immediate next breath in His presence (if breath is even needed in the

afterlife).

i can still remember my first love. how i yearned to be in his presence - and how i prepared to go into that presence. my appearance had to be just right. and oh, how i sought to please him. that's why i can't conceive of how anyone could claim to love Jesus and still be comfortable in their sin, knowing He is not pleased. "therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him." 2 cor 5:9 that "first love" isn't just about physical nearness. it's togetherness that transcends a bodily presence. i have heard so many stories of how someone miles away from a loved one, knew in their spirit that something was wrong. i believe that.

yes, i'm making my way to You Lord. there are many road blocks and detours that try to hinder my way, but i have the compass of the Holy Spirit and my eyes are fixed on You. i just recently revisited "the pilgrims progress," so i speak of our journey. i would just give a word of warning to my fellow travelers. watch your thoughts, they become words; watch your words, they become actions; watch your actions, they become habits; watch your habits, they become character; watch your character, for it becomes your destiny.

if we are careful to follow our compass, the Holy Spirit will aid you in changing into a new person by first changing the way you think. let's start there. what do you think about? what consumes your waking moments? when your mind rests and disengages from the immediate task at hand, where does it go? that is the place where Jesus wants to be most at home, in the

forefront of your mind. to make Jesus center means that your thoughts run to Jesus and your desire is to please Him more than anything. has anyone ever read "practicing the presence of God?" we need to practice it until we perfect it.

remember the Lord's warning. "enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it." matt 7:13-14

the narrow way isn't the easy way, but it's the only way that leads to our blessed hope. we can't work for salvation, but if there is no fruit in your life, remember the Lord's warning. "and even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. therefore every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." matt 3:10

help us Lord to abide in the vine; abide in You and stay in the narrow way. we're making our way to You... all the way to You!