



I Want to See You # 8

Hello everybody. Welcome to “Notes from the Presence.” Today we will continue our adventure in the Kingdom of Heaven and see what else we can find in the secret place.

There are many things in the kingdom of heaven that defy description. It is so massive that it will take an eternity to explore. I often feel like a small little fish at the mouth of a river that is flowing into the ocean. That being said, here are just a few things I have experienced and discovered.

There is a massive bank in heaven, so massive that it looks like a beautiful version of the Parliament buildings in Ottawa, Canada. I have been inside and have learned that one can make withdrawals and deposits there. There are other massive buildings as well, one of them being a giant round building dwarfing anything I have seen on earth that houses a scale model of the expanding universe. There are also things you might not think would be in heaven like roller coasters on a scale that would make anything on earth look tiny. The amount of play and fun to be had in this place is mind-boggling. Don't think for a minute that we will be spending eternity sitting around on clouds being contemplative!

One time, I had a lot of questions on my mind and I was escorted to a strange pathway. It was raised from the ground 15 or 20 feet and it was in the shape of a giant question mark around 300 yards long. A person could walk down to the end, step on the round part of the question mark, and then kneel down and ask for wisdom. I have also seen the mansion that is being built for me but when I saw it, it wasn't finished and there was no furniture in it. However, what impressed me were the stunning views from each and every window. One time I was brought to the top of a mountain and I saw seven or eight massive houses with lakes in the backyard of each one. I looked down and I was standing on golden paving tiles about 2 feet in diameter each. They were arranged with slightly lighter and darker golden tiles giving the effect of a golden checkerboard.

One time I was walking by a river and saw somebody down at the other end of the pathway. As I got closer, this “being” started running towards me, and then I realized it was none other than the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is a spirit and so His feet don’t touch the ground when He walks around. I find the Holy Spirit to be rather feminine in nature although having both feminine and masculine tendencies. The Holy Spirit picked me up and started twirling me around like a father or mother would pick up a child under the arms and turn them in circles until they laugh with glee. I started laughing uncontrollably when this happened. It was so funny. Since that time I have talked with the Holy Spirit on many occasions and one thing that always strikes me is the sense of humor. Actually I find this to be true with God in general. God is not serious like we think He is. He is extremely funny and lighthearted. He likes to have fun and also likes of all things, to dance! I have come to the conclusion that we as humans are way too serious for our own good. Heaven is a very “light” place.

By now, if you are starting to think I am out of my mind, let me remind you that I would have said the same about any person in my situation a few short years ago. I am not sharing these experiences with you so you think I am anything special. I am sharing them with you in hopes that an unquenchable hunger will be unleashed in you, drawing you forward to experience your very own secret place. I didn't think any of this was possible either. I grew up thinking it was for the death side of eternity only. However, I have learned that not only is it possible, it is also very real and attainable for every person that walks on the face of this earth confessing Jesus as their Lord. I do not have any special powers. The only thing I have is an unquenchable hunger and desire to see my Lord. All of this happened to me because of desire, curiosity, and persistence!

I used to have a hard time focusing on the face of my Father God. I would ask Him to let me see His face over and over. One time He told me that His face was too grand for me to see; however, He promised He would reveal it to me one square inch at a time. That is the way it is in the kingdom of heaven. Everything is grand and massive and takes patience and persistence to explore. It is a never ending journey of wonder and the more I get to know about God, the more I realize this was the kind of relationship He wanted with us right from the beginning, one of endless discovery and love, one of walking about in the garden and beyond.

Join me again next week as I wrap up these experiences and put a practical ending to this series.

Thanks for reading. Jesus is real – and He leads us to the waters of life.