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The Rose Of Sharon

## **A Journey Along The Narrow Road.**

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**Matt 7:13/14 KJV**

“Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.”

Part of my own journey along the ‘narrow’ road.

### The Narrow Road

To be human Father sometimes seems more of a Curse than a Blessing: there is a constant war between my spirit and my flesh and I’m never sure which side is *winning* this never-ending Battle! *Lord, nothing in me is GOOD!* My natural inclinations take me FAR from the road You would have me travel so *I struggle along it - waging war more with MYSELF than with Supernatural foes!* Can I *really* be of any benefit to You when even my smallest ‘triumph’ can be seen as yet another *defeat* when viewed through more ‘enlightened’ eyes? *Impure motives in an impure heart strive to pay tribute to Thee!*

I see now that NOTHING *can* come from my OWN striving. Even the humblest progress can be made *only when I have seen myself as YOU see me* – not simply with *Love* but with YOUR eyes of penetrating CLARITY and TRUTH...TRUTH that seeks out every impure thought and endeavour! How *vain* it is to seek to elevate ourselves when we KNOW our *imperfections and weaknesses* and have viewed them through YOUR Eyes! Only by Your Precious Holy Spirit can we *dare* to serve, else it is a *tainted* offering, besmirched with ego and self-love.

Help me Father find the TRUE PATH, leaving *behind* the flesh, *heeding* the voice of the Spirit and turning deaf ears to the cries of my wayward heart. For Father, *I now KNOW I have a wayward heart*, it seethes with anger and resentment, and glorifies ‘self’ at the expense of others. How then may I serve You, for even if I hide my faults You see them still?

Only through the Righteous Blood of Christ may I approach You. Through the ministry of The Holy Spirit I might come to know how it is that I can please You. For by Your Grace, I *can* still serve, my human frailty does not discount it, but only through Your Holy Spirit can I be a blessing to You and to those to whom You would have me speak!

How Patient and Gentle is Thy Spirit! He ever wars with man, not with *rage* but with *reason*, not with *accusations* but through awakening *our own remorse*, for He puts His Holy Finger on the pulse of our wrong-doing til we see it as You see it and cry as You Cry.

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Reflect upon these Scriptures when reviewing the actions of your leaders.

**Matt 7:15/18 KJV**

“Beware of false prophets which come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of *thorns* or figs of *thistles*? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit: *but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.* A good tree cannot bring forth *evil* fruit, neither can a *corrupt* tree bring forth *good* fruit...Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.”