Feast of Love

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LOVE, faith, passion, joy and sacrifice, these are among the cornerstones of all known religious beliefs in the world. If God did not manifest through the life & work of His creation, the world would have lost its essence a long time ago. For us to realize His will, the Lord has worked miracles and spoken through saints and prophets since time immemorial. He continues to make miracles and guide us along His path even now.

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Then again another question arises that why should God leave us alone to face the catastrophes of life while He rests in the company of saints and angels, high up in the heavens? That is where we are mistaken, for neither does the Lord slumber in the comfort of His heavenly abode nor does His Spirit sleep in the realm of His angels. He is consistently trying to whisper into our ears, catch us when we fall, hold us when we are in dismay or just walk along side when the road is winding, steep and slippery; but only when we let Him. His love knows no boundaries. His compassion is of that of a mother for her young. His love caused Him to send His only son down to earth, so that we may bear witness to His obsession for creation.

Born to the house of David, Lord Jesus, lived thirty-three years. He started preaching at the age of thirty only to continue three more years, until He suffered the most agonizing and reprehensible of deaths. A death which saddened His heavenly father to the extent that the whole world was covered in darkness for the three hours Jesus was on the cross. But the Lord being a merciful one did not set the world ablaze as a sign of His retribution for He wanted to make us aware of the fact that He had taken human form, lived, endured, experienced the pain of betrayal and abuse and died the death of a convict, only to save our souls from damnation. All this had to be done so that our souls could reveal His love; the love that consumes all or agape.

Otherwise, who could have imagined that, two thousand years down the line, a religious cult would emerge where the cross, the ultimate weapon of torture back in the day, would become the centre of faith? It is by the Lord's sublime wisdom, that which was low has been made high, the mighty has been humbled; the weak have been consolidated by the promise of redemption. But His death on the cross was only the doorway to the magnitude of miracles that followed. He entered death's dominion only to captivate and return amongst us in human form, to self-proclaim the promise made by the father, that death is only the transition whereby we may be reincarnate to Lord's glory, if only we seek His path and pray in His name. This happened many years ago on a Sùnday and thus the name Easter Sunday which is the pedestal of Christian faith. If Lord Jesus had not resurrected, it would not have been clear to us, His followers, that death can be overcome by the force of prayers, devotion, righteousness & that the door to heaven was now open to all who pursued life in faith upon God.

After His resurrection, came His ascension which teaches us, that the fruit of temperance, righteousness and sacrifice can exalt the soul to greater depths of spiritual purity and thus a stairway to heaven. His immaculate perception enables us to thrive even under the worst of situations, to pray to Him in times of trial and to embrace this gift called life with passion & rapture. Let the New Life which springs from God's eternal fountain cleanse the soul & wash away all the pain.