Fearless, Confident, and Beloved

- I. When you read Biblical accounts of awesome experiences with God, believe that every one of them is available to you, too.
 - A. David wrote that when trouble comes, we can be fearless, gaze at the beauty of the Lord, shout with joy, and make music to the Lord (Psalm 27:1-6).
 - B. No matter the circumstances of our lives, we can look to the Lord with a radiant face, never covered with fear and shame (Psalm 34:4, 5, 8, 9, 15-19).
 - C. All believers are also equipped to experience the emotional passion of the Bride and the Bridegroom in their relationship with Jesus (Revelation 22:16-17).
- II. All of this is possible through Jesus who paid the price for us to be saved and who supernaturally baptizes (immerses) us with the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:4-8). This immersion in the supernatural can happen over and over again (E.g., the first disciples) (John 20:21-22; Acts 2:1-4; 4:29-31; Eph. 5:18).
 - A. God not only fills us with power but embraces us with love and compassion like a Father with his children. By Him, we cry "Abba, Father!" (Romans 8:14-16)
 - B. We are meant to experience a veritable downpour of God's love (Romans 5:5, E.g., Charles Finney, my testimonies).
 - C. Carrying out God's wishes is not burdensome (I John 5:3), because God's presence is always there when we obey. "I will obey you. I've always thought it a sacrifice to give up my own will. But it is no sacrifice, because it keeps me close to you. How could your presence be a sacrifice?" (I Dared to Call Him Father, Bilquis Sheikh).
- III. When you believe God truly loves you and sincerely yearns to be tender toward you, major spiritual breakthrough happens.
 - A. "Tenderness is what follows when someone reveals to you your inner beauty, when you discover your belovedness, when you are sincerely liked by someone...in short, what happens is I grow tender" (Brennan Manning).
 - B. Tenderness is what God gives to our heart when we allow Him to supernaturally love us. "We love, because He first loved us" (I John 4:19).
- IV. There are several on-ramps to supernatural impartation.
 - A. "Do not conform to the pattern of this world...(Romans 12:2). If you make a mistake, confess quickly and lean hard on God's great compassion (I John 1:9-10).
 - B. Ask the Father for His Holy Spirit (Luke 11:11-13). Believe and make space for God to fill you with His Spirit again and again. Be a good receiver. Huge doses of worship and hanging out with other believers who are hungry for God really helps.
 - C. Take advantage of painful circumstances to let God show His love to you. Don't get hardened; let God soften you.
 - D. Discover, believe, and meditate on the many promises of the goodness of God (Psalm 27:13-14).
 - E. Be a good giver, passing the supernatural currency of God to others (Matthew 10:7-10; Isaiah 58:6-12; Luke 6:37-38).
 - F. Have other people pray prayers of impartation to you for various purposes and giftings (James 5:16; II Timothy 1:6-7).