

# THE ALABASTER BOX

## FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

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*Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee; in whose heart is the ways of them. Who passing through the the valley of **Bacca** make it a well; the rain also filleth the pools (Psalm 84:5-6)*

Life has many ups and downs, many dry and fertile places and we are inclined (according to human tendencies) to be thankful for the fertile places and complain bitterly about the dry places but we must understand that without the dry places we cannot fully appreciate the fertile.

Some Bible scholars believe that BACCA can mean weeping and can have symbolic reference to the time of struggles and weeping through which we must pass on our to our God-given assignment or place of purpose. It is thought that in order to reach our desired position in God's army we must be processed.

Upon receiving our calling or assignment to fulfill the role which God has assigned to us in life, there will be many tests during some of which our flesh and emotions will cry out so loudly that seems impossible to bear. But we should remember that it is a process and remain focused remembering that God promises springs in the desert and songs in the night.

In our times of weeping, hardships, discouragements and pains let us ask God to give us the strength to dig a well in BACCA and allow us to discover the Living Water that He has for us.

David himself had some hard times - anointed as King but unable to sit on the throne because he was being processed by the one who was the power to set up and remove Kings. We also are in God's



hands and He is just shaping and molding us. So let us hold steady and begin to dig for us with Christ can make a well in BACCA where we can be refreshed and strengthened for the journey.

Nothing comes easy in life, not even the salvation which we have because it cost God His only son. So be courageous, keep the faith child of God and ride out your storms. Keep digging into the words - for there is water in the dry places to refresh and strengthen our hands to continue digging. DIG DEEP and be encouraged. Your change will come!