**Walking In The Valley With Jesus**

**Psalms 23:4** - Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

For several days I have been given insight into this verse of scripture.  Everyone understands that we grow more in the valley than on the mountain top.  It is through adversity that we realize that we need someone larger than us and bigger than life and that someone is Jesus.  Moses went up on the mountain to experience the Shekinah Glory of God. Elijah encountered this Glory on the mountain when he was discouraged and running for his life.  Peter, James and John were with Jesus upon the mountain when Jesus was transfigured in radiant Glory and guess who was there to witness this event.   It was Moses and Elijah.  There is revelation in elevation.

Let’s deal with this valley of death and the security of this verse.  First of all who is in this picture?  Let’s put ourselves as the “I”, and then there is “death”, the shadow, and Jesus.  At a recent funeral an analogy was given to me as I was doing the eulogy that did not appear in my notes.   You see death abides in this valley that we will all walk one day unless we are taken up as Enoch and Elijah  As we walk through this valley the enemy wants us to be afraid but a shadow cannot hurt us.  The revelation given to me on that day was that the only way the shadow was even present was because the Glory of the presenceof Jesus cast the shadow.    To have a shadow you need an object on which to cast light.  Jesus has already defeated death so the next best thing is for the enemy to try and scare us with shadows.  When Jesus looks upon death it becomes a shadow.  So when we begin to take this walk we are assured that Jesus is with us and there is no fear.

We walk by faith and we are not alone.