"Draw me after You…" Song of Solomon 1:4a

Our perspectives and subsequent testimonies must sound rather odd in light of heaven's labour for our souls. Even before the Creation, the Godhead had a plan to redeem fallen man. (1 Peter 1:19 – 20). And it was God Who saw the plight of mankind and initiated His plan without man's request or knowledge that he even needed redemption. Further, the Messiah came to open the way once again to the Father's presence by His death and resurrection. And now the Holy Spirit is at work wooing and drawing all that have been called of God.

And we say – "I found the Lord" or "I've given my heart to God." In the general sense you did find the Lord – even though He wasn't the one hiding. Well, you did respond to His love, but what other logical or even rational thing could you have done in light of His overwhelming and awesome sacrifice of love?

"With lovingkindness I have drawn you." (Jeremiah 31:3). He has purposely and purposefully sought you out. "No man can come to Me, except the Father, Who has sent Me draw him." (John 6:44). Calvary is the trump card that demands our response. "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me." (John 12:32).

Do we have a part to play in this tugging of God's Spirit upon our hearts? Most certainly! When you sense God's whispering within your heart – yield! "Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you." (James 4:8).   As the drawing of God continues – and it will continue for the rest of your life – "draw near with a perfect heart." (Hebrews 10:22).

"Thanks be to God, Who has sought me out and drawn me to Himself!"