

2025-02-25 The Mayflower

Dream from Bro. Terry in Florida

I was in a company (probably an Army infantry company) and we did a practice mission. During the mission, the captain showed us something on a large piece of paper - it was a map, or definitions of terms or something, I don't remember. I remember that during this "presentation," I was up front beside the captain & I was 2nd in command. The relationship between the captain & myself went well. Later, after the mission, all the men went back to the cafeteria. The dream went on for a while, then the next thing I remember was I walked up the steps to the large wooden building that was the cafeteria. When I went inside, there was a long table with people sitting around it of the fashion that The Lord's Supper painting looks like. I did not recognize any of the men in the company so I turned around and walked out of the door back down the steps.

As I was walking away from the building, & premises, I was thinking that I had missed the small rowboat that would take me to the big ship. Because what the company was doing was rehearsing maneuvers to prepare us for the battle we would have once we got on the Mayflower. I am not sure if it was just a mock-battle or a real one. So as I was walking away I thought I had missed the the little boat because everyone else had already left. I knew where the Mayflower was, but to get to it, I had to take the road that ran alongside the Massachusetts Bay for miles and then cross over the bridge into Massachusetts. The Mayflower was right by the bridge. If one had to walk, the trip would take weeks. By that time, the battle would be over and the Mayflower would have gone somewhere else. However, as I walked, I remembered that the plan between the captain & I was to, little by little, move the troops to the Mayflower. Another company was suppose take over where we were. I realized that when I couldn't recognize any of the troops in the cafeteria – the NEW company HAD taken over so it was time for me to leave.

As I got closer to the road, I saw the little rowboat in the bay waiting for me! I was so glad to see it – they were waiting for me! When I stepped onto the boat, the scene changed. I was walking in the interior of the boat. The boat turned into a ship and the interior was the size of a gymnasium. It was all open except for the massive wooden pole (mast) in the middle. Then I heard the command "Strike two sails!". There was no one visible, but I knew that there were 3 or 4 men that worked the ship. There was a large board dangling from the mast and I grabbed it and tried to steady it. I soon let go of it because I figured the crew were the experts. After I let go, I just walked around and enjoyed the trip confident that the crew were the professionals and knew exactly what they were doing.

End of dream

### **WHAT DOES THIS DREAM MEAN?**

Hallelujah! The Mayflower is the ship that docked at Plymouth Rock bringing 41 English Calvinist Separatists who were fleeing the persecution of the Church of England, and seeking religious freedom. The Mayflower in the dream, is the symbol for the freedom of worship that is the goal of Christ followers everywhere. Within the spirit of each believer who is called out of the systems of man, there is a strong desire and need to be made free from man's doctrines, and to be joined in Spirit, to the symbolic "Mayflower Company," the sons of God, freely under God. This dream applies, not only to the dreamer, but to all who seek to worship the Father in Spirit and in truth. *"Onward Christian soldiers, marching as to war. With the cross of Jesus, marching on before..."*

Most Christians are, or have been devoted to forms of "religion" rather than to God. As we sought God, we were often suckered into the bondage of working to build programs and wealth of the various churches or assemblies we were joined to; all in the name of Christ. We thought that this was the way to gain heaven, or even spiritual growth. But Christ called us out of this kind of bondage, and made a way for us to become totally free. Nevertheless, as followers of Christ, the inner battle had only just begun. Nevertheless, with Jesus our Captain, we moved on each day, being taught by His Spirit. One by one, we dropped the yokes of man's doctrines, took His yoke upon us and learned of Him. We were moving on to join the crew of our Mayflower ship- the Body of Christ.

The dream reveals details such as the visit to the wooden building cafeteria where there was food, (the Word), and the communion of the saints, but now all was strange, we no longer belong there. as the dreamer, we walked out, the Word that was served, had no longer appealed to us. There was only one thing left to do- find the way to the Mayflower. This Word is not only for the dreamer, but for all the troops, all the sons have to move on to the Mayflower,

There was a little boat to get each one on board the ship, but it was not visible at the time, so the dreamer looked for some other way to get to the ship, but suddenly he was so glad to see the little boat was there after all. Indeed, we will be made to realize that to get on board, we will be alone. This little boat only holds one man at a time. The way to freedom from religious bondage is worked out within ourselves alone. We may well be living with many others, but the freedom is worked out within ourselves alone.

Once on board; once we are free from the bondage we once served under, there are new things to walk through. There was a gymnasium, which speaks of a daily need to exercise and keep growing in spiritual strength. There is a time when we want to learn to harness the power of the wind, (the Spirit), to guide the ship, to strike the sails, which is to fold them up neatly until the ship sails again. But this is the work of the experts, it is not a work of the carnal mind, it cannot be done by the knowledge of man, it is done by experts who are moved by the Holy Spirit. Above all, this is a joyful walk of praise and worship unto our God.