

MEDITATIONS ON THE TRUE CHRISTIAN LIFE

....*"This book of the law [the Word of God] shall not depart from [always be in] your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful [take heed] to do according to all that is written in it; for THEN you will make your way prosperous, and THEN you will have success".... Joshua 1:8 NASB*

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* The first thing that it is necessary to know in living out the "true" Christian life is the integrity of God's Word; to know that this word is actually what it declares itself to be - revelation from God to us. We should know that it is God speaking to us; that it is a God-breathed, a God-indwelt, a God-inspired message; that it is not only a book of the past and future, but it is a book of now.

Secondly, it is necessary for us to know the actual reality of our Redemption in Christ - not as a doctrine, not as a philosophy, but as an actual redemption out of the authority of Satan, and that we have been, by the New-Birth, translated into the Kingdom of the Son of His love; or in other words, into the very family of God.

Satan's dominion over us as a "new creation" is ended. Jesus is the Lord and Head over this new Body. Satan is a defeated foe over whom we reign through the Name of Jesus. Satan has lost his dominion over our bodies, over our minds, over our finances, over the "circumstances" of life. When we know these things, as we know that four and four are eight, the problem of faith will never bother us!

....*"[The Father] has delivered [past tense] and drawn us to Himself out of the control and the dominion of darkness and has transferred us [past tense] into the kingdom of the Son of His love".... Colossians 1:13 The Amplified Translation*

....*"But it is from Him [the Father] that you have your life in Christ Jesus, Whom God made our Wisdom from God, [revealed to us a knowledge of the divine plan of salvation previously hidden, manifesting itself as] our Righteousness [thus making us upright and putting us in right standing with God], and our Consecration [making us pure and holy], and our Redemption [providing our ransom from eternal penalty for sin]".... 1 Corinthians 1:30 The Amplified Translation*