

## 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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\* Our tongues are at the very centre of our existence and set the course for our lives. The words coming out of our mouths reveal our true character. Jesus said, ....*"for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh"....(Matthew 12:34).* The Christian who is constantly criticizing, gossiping, back-biting, speaking negative words of fear, doubt and unbelief, reveals what is within their innermost being - within their heart and mind. They are bringing cursing upon themselves. Their entire body is defiled by their words and they are speaking forth failure, defeat and death. On the other hand, the Christian who has learned to discipline and bring their tongue into submission and control of the Holy Spirit and is constantly speaking forth the Word of God, praising God, speaking words of faith and edification, reveals what is within their innermost being. They are speaking forth power and victory and are bringing blessing and life to themselves and to all those who cross their path.

....*"Death and life are in the power of [released through] the tongue, and they who indulge in it shall eat the fruit of it [for death or life][Matt. 12:37]".... Proverbs 18:21 The Amplified Translation*