

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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**"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven".... (Matthew 6:19-20)*

The Divine Teacher emphasizes Heaven! He wants our hearts to be there. Safety is in Heaven. No tears are there to flood your heart, no sorrows there to break it, and no losses there to grieve and embitter. Put your heart in Heaven that it may be sweet, whole, and joyful. Put your treasures in Heaven and all will be light. Do not divide yourself between Heaven and earth. Anxiety about food and clothing have mastered many souls, raised fears, and uprooted faith. Jesus Christ shows that the cause of these anxieties results from lack of faith in our Father in Heaven. As their only infallible cure, He speaks of an absorbing pursuit of Heaven: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matthew 6:33). Jesus wants to quiet our anxieties by stressing that our Heavenly Father knows that we have need of all these things. He links us with our Father and His ability and concern for us. With Heaven as His abode and ours, Jesus would calm our hearts and set them Heaven and its pursuits. This is impossible when earthly needs confuse us and drag us down. To Jesus, Heaven is the real place; it is the Father's home.

....*"Therefore take NO thought, SAYING, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?".... Matthew 6:31 KJV*

....*"We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the true knowledge of God [and who we ALREADY are, in Christ], and we are taking every thought captive [through proclamation] to the obedience of Christ [a revelation of the Father's Will]".... 2 Corinthians 10:5 NASB*