

## 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 earth walk of the man Jesus reveals the fact that Israel had Jehovah on their hands. The Author of the Covenant, the Law, the sacrifices, the One who had appointed the priesthood and the great Day of Atonement, was in their midst and they did not recognize Him. The tragedy of the Garden scene, where angels strengthened and comforted the rejected Jehovah, the Incarnate Son of God. The trial with its bitter jealousy, its deception and dishonesty, where the God of the Old Covenant was spit upon, reviled and cast out by the very people He had brought into being. The Cross with its agonies, where the hero God-Man became sin. Perhaps the strangest feature of it all, was that not one person knew that He was dying for their sins, that He was bearing the penalty of their transgressions.

Three days of gloom and darkness settled over the hearts of the disciples, the Kingdom dreams were ended. They did not understand where the Master had gone or what He was suffering. They were staggered by His resurrection. They were mystified by the forty days before His ascension. They did not know that He had carried His blood into the heavenly Holy of Holies. Neither was it known that He had delivered the Old Testament saints from Paradise when He ascended from Mt. Olivet. They little appreciated the fact that the cloud that received Him out of their sight was the Old Testament saints being taken to the Father's House. They did not know He was to sit down at the right hand of the Majesty on High. The legal part of the work of Redemption had been completed and now the vital could begin in the upper room. Much of this will be new to you, but I want you to read it with an open mind and an open heart. It has transforming power enwrapped within it. Many believe that this message is a forerunner of a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit with a revival such as the nation has never known. It would be beautiful if it were the ushering in of the last days.

....*"In the beginning [before all time] was the Word [Christ], and the Word was with God, and the Word was God Himself. [Isa. 9:6.] He was present originally with God. All things were made and came into existence through Him; and without Him was not even one thing made that has come into being. In Him was Life, and the Life was the Light of men. And the Light shines on in the darkness, for the darkness has never overpowered it [put it out or absorbed it or appropriated it, and is unreceptive to it]".... John 1:1-5 The Amplified Translation*