

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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**"upon this rock [of revelation] I will build My Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven".... Matthew 16:18-19 KJV*

We are to bind here on earth whatever comes from Hell so that Kingdom-life can replace it. We are to loose here on earth whatever is of the Kingdom so that Kingdom-glory may be manifested. God puts the church here to rule, to exercise authority and to reign, but the church has failed to do so. The church is supposed to open the gates of Heaven, to loose Kingdom conditions and blessings, and to bind the powers of Hell. In this respect earth controls Heaven. Earth binds first, then Heaven binds. Earth looses first, and then Heaven looses. Thus, incredibly as it may seem, Heaven is limited by earth.

Such, then, is our work here on earth. We have been given authority and power to bind all that is not of Heaven and to loose all that is of Heaven. Whenever we see that the gates of Hell have pushed in and taken possession of what belongs to God, we are here to oppose that. We are to take the keys of the Kingdom and loose Heaven's power against it. The reason why there is so little of the Kingdom here is because the church has not used the keys the Lord has given to her. The keys are given to all who can be trusted to use them faithfully and rightly. "Whatsoever" - this signifies that all which is of the Kingdom and all which is of Heaven are at our disposal if we only loose them. He has given the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven to us, and is waiting for us to use them.

....*"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has crowned us [past tense] with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms in Christ".... Ephesians 1:3 Weymouth Translation*