

# 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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## **Say No To Anxious Thoughts [part 4 of 4]**

### **Words Produce Faith or Fear**

\* “Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?” (Matthew 6:31 KJV) Why should Jesus be concerned about our taking these thoughts? Because faith stops at the question mark and the questions reveal that we are not fully persuaded that God has made provision for us. (II Peter 1:1-5)

Speaking faith-filled words produces faith. Fear-filled words will produce fear. Questions like, “What are we going to do? How are we going to make this payment?” produce fear. When you fear, you allow satan to steal the Word from you. When you say such things, you are opening the door for the devil to speak to your carnal mind. Paul encourages us to cast down imaginations and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and to bring every thought into the obedience of Christ. We should take no thought that would open the door to the enemy. (II Corinthians 10:4-5)

Taking the wrong thoughts is a major area you must deal with if you expect to walk in God’s provisions. We should take no thought that questions God’s ability to provide what we need for life and health. The thoughts we take are important because the human spirit is designed to produce in like kind from the seed you plant in your heart. If you plant thoughts based on worry and fear, you will gravitate to the very thing you fear. Even Job found that to be true. (Job 3:25-26)

**Satan is very limited in what he can do unless he can get you into fear.** Fear releases the devil’s ability against you. He can no more prevail against you if you are without fear, than God can move on your behalf without faith! Faith

brings God on the scene, but fear is an invitation to satan. Jesus reveals that God will clothe you if you only have a little faith.

“Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek.) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.” (Matthew 6:31-33 KJV)

Make a decision to take God’s thoughts and harness your thoughts and tongue. Your words can either release satan’s ability or God’s ability concerning your finances, your home, and your physical body. (James 3:1-13)

### **Things to Remember**

Fear of failure is an enemy to success. Resist fear as you would resist the devil.

You can’t keep the devil from putting doubt in your mind; but if you refuse to speak, it will die unborn.

Faith-filled words produce faith. Fear-filled words produce fear. Fear brings satan on the scene. Faith brings God on the scene. Make a decision to take God’s thoughts.