

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 ACHIEVEMENTS AND LIMITATIONS OF SENSE KNOWLEDGE

[part 1 of 2]

* FEW of us have realized that the great body of knowledge that has been accumulated through the ages has come to us through the Five Senses. The human body has really been the laboratory for the testing and investigation of all human activities.

Every step in the fields of Chemistry, Mechanics, Metallurgy, Surgery, Mental Sciences, and the Arts, has come from this one common source.

The Five Senses, the humbled, abused Senses, are the five servants that have been conveying knowledge of every sort and kind to the brain for it to classify, number, and file away for future use.

It is said that Mr. Edison experimented more than three thousand times with the incandescent lamp before he arrived.

Each mechanical invention, the Radio, the Adding Machine, the Typewriter, has gone through a series of experimentations and developments since its first conception. This will cause you to see the painstaking, patient research work that men have done in order to give us what we have today in the Mechanical, Scientific, and Chemical world. We would like to pay our tribute to this patient, hard working body of men in the field of scientific research, who have given us the benefits of all their labor in their respective fields.

The Five Senses—Sight, Feeling, Hearing, Tasting, and Smelling—are the parents of all this knowledge. They are not always reliable. The Senses may become impaired by accident, carelessness, overwork, or dissipation, so that they

are not to be depended upon. They are not absolutely true.

Their findings are continually being revised. Their limitations are known and reckoned upon. Yet what ministers they have been. We would not, for one moment, criticize them. We know where their frontiers are located. They cannot know the beginning of things. They can only speculate when they arrive at the last frontier of experimentation.

They know nothing of:

The Reason for Creation

The Reason and Origin of Man

The Origin of Life

The Origin of Motion

The Origin of Matter

The Origin of Force

Standing on the edge of this last frontier of their limitations, the mind is unsatisfied. It craves knowledge, and so, unconsciously, it becomes speculative. It begins to evolve theories. Reason has no data, no absolute facts on which it can build. It can only dream now and theorize.

"theory" - a supposition based upon an ignorance of the subject at hand;

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