

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 PREVAILING WORD

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The Word Makes Us Conquer

If he hates his brother, he is living in darkness. The Word has not prevailed in his life. He is walking as a common man. 1 Corinthians 3:3, "For ye are yet carnal (ruled by the senses): for whereas there is among you jealousy and strife, are ye not carnal, and do ye not walk after the manner of (common) men?" How many believers, because the Word does not prevail in them, live as common men? Disease and sickness prevail over them because they do not walk in the light of the Word. John 8:12, Jesus said, "I am the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life."

As long as sickness prevails over you, you are walking in darkness. You mentally assent to the Word, but you do not act upon it. As long as you walk in poverty, and your testimony is of your needs and your lack, the Word has not prevailed in your life.

Philippians 4:19 has no place in the life that is not dominated by the Word: "And my God shall supply every need of yours' according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

When the Word prevails, you have plenty for yourself and for others. Philippians 4:13 has not yet gained the ascendancy in the unfruitful life: "I can do all things in Him who strengtheneth me,"

A faltering, stumbling confession is present when the Word has not prevailed over your reasoning faculties, and when Christ and the Word have not

become a reality. Romans 10:8, "But what saith it? The Word is nigh thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the Word of faith, which we preach." My heart never recognized the secret of Faith until I saw this truth: that the Word must prevail over my mind. When the Word became as real to me as the word of a friend or a banker, then Faith ceased to be a problem.

I no longer thought of Faith or the need of it. You see, Jesus never intimated a need of Faith. Why? Because He had the Father's Words.

Did God say it? Yes! THEN IT IS! Psalm 27:1, "Jehovah is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear; Jehovah is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"

Did He say that He is the strength of my life? Then He IS. I have all the strength I need for any emergency or any need. Do I lack wisdom? (Most of us do.) Well, 1 Corinthians 1:30 says that God made Jesus to be wisdom unto us. That means that we shall have ability to use the knowledge that is given to us in the Word, that we are no longer to walk in darkness, for we have the light of life.

Colossians 1:13 has become a reality: "Who delivered us out of the power of darkness, and translated us into the kingdom of the Son of His love; in Whom we have our Redemption." Delivered out of weakness, out of spiritual blindness, delivered out of the old mental state of inability, we can now do all things in Him because He has become our ability. 2 Corinthians 3:5, 6 has become our very own: "Not that we are sufficient of ourselves, to account anything as from ourselves: but our sufficiency is from God; Who also made us sufficient as ministers of a New Covenant." The Word at last prevails. We are what He says we are. We can do what He says we can do. He is what He says He is, and no Word from Him is void of ability to make good in us.