

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 WONDERFUL NAME OF JESUS

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Authority

It gave authority to their credentials, a standing in the communities where they preached.

They had the coin of the unseen Kingdom. The Omnipotence of God was invested in that Name in the Early Church, and the disciples used it with a fearless abandonment that is absolutely thrilling! They believed in God! They lived and walked in the realm of the supernatural. It was the days of God on earth to the people where they ministered.

All That Jesus Was His Name Is

It might be well for us now to look at the promises Jesus made in regard to the use of His Name. "And whatsoever ye shall ask in My Name, that will I do that the Father may be glorified in the Son." John 14:13.

This is a striking promise when we realize that Jesus is seated at the Right Hand of the Father, that Jesus holds the highest position in the universe as the Head of the Church.

Here is the charter promise: "Hitherto ye have asked nothing in My Name.

Ask and ye shall receive that your joy may be made full." John 16:24. Jesus says, "Hitherto, or up to this time, you have never prayed in My Name, but now, whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in My Name, He will give it you." This

promise is the most staggering statement that perhaps ever fell from the lips of the Man of Galilee, that we are to have the use of His Name, that Name of Omnipotence.

He does not say, "If we believe," or "if we have faith." This Name has been given to us. It is ours! What is mine, I do not need faith to use. When we are born into the Family of God, the right to use the Name and the privilege to use it comes with the new birth. All the authority vested in that Name is given to us to bring glory to the Name of the Father, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

This Son Who was an outcast on the earth and crucified, hung naked before the world, His Name shall go ringing down through the ages. Wherever the shame of the crucifixion has gone, the glory and might and power and honor of that Name will go. Wherever men have ridiculed Jesus, that Name will go.

Wherever men have cursed that Man, that Name will go with its Omnipotence, its might and power, shedding blessings and healing and comfort upon the human race, and honor and glory to God, the Father.

He now is to be with us in the power of that Name, that Name is to take His place.

All that He could do locally then can be done locally now by every believer.

In other words, He multiplies Himself as rapidly as He multiplies the Church, for the weakest son has a legal right now to all the grace, and might, and power, and blessing, and health, and healing, and life enwrapped in the Person Who bore that Name.

All that Jesus was, that Name will ever be during this dispensation. That Name has lost none of the power of the Man Who bore it. In these Scriptures, we have seen that the Father has lifted Him to the highest position in the universe. He has conferred upon Him the highest Name in the universe.

He has bestowed upon Him honor, and glory and power, and seated Him at His own right hand in the heavenlies, far above every known authority; and now, all this honor, this glory, this authority, this power, is vested in the Name of Jesus, and this Name is given to us.