

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 VALUE OF CONFESSION

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Renewing of the Mind

I feel I should introduce another subject for a moment. That is the renewing of our minds. It is only the Renewed mind that can grasp these truths.

Your spirit has been recreated, but not your mind. Heretofore, it has received all of its knowledge through the senses, so it must be renewed.

Romans 12:2, "And be not fashioned according to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

The same truth is brought out in Titus 3:5 and Ephesians 4:23 and Colossians 3:10.

"Not by works done in righteousness, which we did ourselves, but according to his mercy he saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit."

"And that ye be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and put on the new man, that after God hath been created in righteousness and holiness of truth."

"And have put on the new man, that is being renewed unto knowledge after the image of him that created him."

This renewing of the mind comes through meditation and action on the

Word.

As soon as one is Born Again, he should ask the Holy Spirit to come in and make His home in his body.

Luke 11:13 shows the Father's attitude in regard to it.

“How much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?”

As surely as we ask Him, so surely will the Spirit make His home in our bodies.

The renewed mind sees that all there is to be done for its healing is to praise the Father for it. It says, “My diseases were laid on Christ and He put them away. I am healed. I thank the Father that it is done.”

The pain may be there. The soreness may be in evidence. These are only the testimony of the Senses.

We refuse to listen to the witness of our senses. We accept the Word of God and act upon it. As surely as God sits on the throne, He will make that Word good in us.

We do not ask for power, for He who is the power is in us.

We do not ask for wisdom, for Christ was made wisdom unto us.

We do not ask for Redemption, for He is our Redemption.

We do not ask for Sanctification, for He is made unto us Sanctification.

We do not ask for Righteousness, because He is made unto us Righteousness.

This faith life is the most beautiful thing in the world. We step out of the old Sense realm where we have lived.

We have always lived with Thomas. He said, John 20:25, “Except I shall see

in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

Jesus met him and said, “Reach hither thy finger, and see my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and put it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.”

Then Thomas cried, “My Lord and my God.”

But Jesus said to him, “Because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen and yet have believed.”

We should not need the evidence of the senses. Let us rest on the Word.

Ephesians 1:3, “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us *[past tense]* with every spiritual blessing in the heavenlies in Christ.”

You are in the family. Everything that the Father has belongs to the children. You are one of them. You have been blessed.

*...."Surely he hath borne our griefs *[past tense]*, and carried our sorrows *[past tense]*: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he *[was]* wounded *[past tense]* for our transgressions, *[he was]* bruised *[past tense]* for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace *[was]* upon him; and with his stripes we are *[present tense]* healed".... Isaiah 53:4-5 KJV*

*...."I sought the LORD, and He answered me, and delivered *[past tense]* me from all my fears. They looked to Him and were radiant, and their faces will never be ashamed".... Psalms 34:4-5 NASB*

*...."[The Father] has delivered *[past tense]* and drawn us to Himself out of the control and the dominion of darkness and has transferred us *[past tense]* into the kingdom of the Son of His love".... Colossians 1:13 The Amplified Translation*

*...."by His *[the Father's]* doing you are IN Christ Jesus, Who became *[past tense]* to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption".... 1 Corinthians 1:30 NASB*

*...."You will also decree *[proclaim]* a thing, and it will be established for*

you; And light [the divine Light that enters into one's spirit {inner man} through the continual declaration of words that are aligned with the Word of God] will shine on your ways".... Job 22:28 NASB

...."We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the true knowledge of God [and who we ALREADY are, in Christ], and we are taking EVERY thought captive [through proclamation] to the obedience of Christ [a revelation of the Father's Heart and Will]".... 2 Corinthians 10:5 NASB