## **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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## **RECREATION OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT**

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Eph. 2:10: "We are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus."

When you know that you have been recreated by God Himself, you know that the work is satisfactory to the Author of the work. It gives you a real foundation for faith. Our chief difficulty has been the sense of unworthiness which has robbed us of faith and fellowship with the Father. This is due to our ignorance of what we are in Christ and of what the New Birth means to the Father and may mean to us. Eph. 4:24: "Put on the new man that after God hath been created in righteousness and holiness of truth."

We are created in Righteousness. We are created out of the very Nature and Heart of the Father; so that when He declares that we are created of Righteousness and Holiness, and of reality (or Truth), we know that we can stand before the Father without any sense of guilt or sin.

We know that this New Creation is the Righteousness of God in Christ. 1 John 5:13: "These things have I written unto you, that ye may know that ye have Eternal Life, even unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God." So then Eternal Life is received in Jesus' Name. Romans 8:14-17 is the climax of Redemption as outlined in this Epistle : "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are the sons of God. For ye received not the spirit of bondage again unto fear; but ye received the spirit of adoption whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit Himself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are children of God : and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ."

This is the climax of Redemption.

This is the objective toward which God was working: to bring man into the actual relationship of a son through his partaking of God's Nature, Eternal Life. Gal. 4:5-7: "That He might redeem them that are under the law, that we (Jews) might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God sent forth the Spirit of his Son into our hearts crying, Abba, Father. So that thou art no longer a bond-servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God." The Jews were the servants of God; we are the sons of God. 1 John 3:2: "Beloved, now are we the sons of God." 2 Cor. 5:21: "Him who knew no sin He made to be sin on our behalf, that we might become the righteousness of God in him." John 1 :13: "Who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

This should forever settle the question of whether there is anything that an unsaved man can do to give to himself the New Birth outside of his acceptance of Christ as Savior and Lord. All of his crying, weeping, repenting, and confessing of sins has no bearing upon it whatever. This is hard for us to accept because we have been ruled by the teaching of the Dark Ages-the teaching of works. The church is under bondage today to the blend of Hinduism, Grecian philosophy, and the Christianity that we find during the Middle Ages.

All that Luther saw was justification by Faith. He had no clear conception of a New Birth, of righteousness, of God as a Father, or of our place as sons and daughters of God. He saw it vaguely. He saw one truth. That one truth brought him out of bondage and gave to Germany a new civilization. 1 John 5:1: "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ, is begotten of God." The fourth verse reads : "For whatsoever is begotten of God overcometh the world : and this is the victory that hath overcome the world, even our faith." The New Creation is an overcomer.

He is begotten of God. He is united with God. He is a partaker of God's Nature.