

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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* Previously, we have compared man to the temple and man's spirit to the Holy of Holies. We shall proceed further with this metaphor by comparing the intuition, communion and conscience of the *[recreated]* spirit to the ark in the Holy of Holies.

First, within the ark lies the law of God which instructs the Israelites what they should do; God thereby reveals Himself and His Will through the law. In like manner, God makes Himself and His Will known to the believer's intuition that he may walk accordingly.

Second, upon the ark and sprinkled with the Blood is the Mercy Seat whereon God manifests His Glory and receives man's worship. Similarly, every person redeemed by the Blood has the spirit quickened; through this quickened spirit he worships and communes with God. As God formerly communed with Israel on the Mercy Seat, so He, today, communes with the believer in his Blood-cleansed spirit.

Third, the Ark is called the "Ark of Testimony" because therein are kept the ten commandments as God's testimony to Israel. Just as the two tablets of law silently accused or excused the doings of Israel, so the believer's conscience, on which God's Spirit has written the law *[Word of God]*, bears witness for or against the conduct of the believer. "My conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit" Romans 9:1.