

# 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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## INTUITION

As the soul [*mind, will, emotions*] has its senses, so too has the spirit [*intuition, communion, conscience*]. The spirit is intimately related to the soul and yet is wholly unlike it. The soul possesses various senses but a spiritual man is able to detect another set of senses - lodged in the innermost part of his being which is radically dissimilar from his set of soulful senses. There in the uttermost recess he can rejoice, grieve, anticipate, love, fear, approve, condemn, decide, discern. These motions are sensed in the spirit and are quite distinct from those expressed by the soul through the body. We can learn about the sensing of the spirit and its many-sided character from the following verses:

....*"The spirit indeed is willing".... Matthew 26:41*

....*"Perceiving in his spirit".... Mark 2:3*

....*"He sighed deeply in his spirit".... Mark 8:12*

....*"My spirit rejoices in God My Saviour".... Luke 1:47*

....*"The true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth".... John 4:23*

....*"He was deeply moved in spirit and troubled".... John 11:33*

....*"When Jesus had thus spoken, He was troubled in spirit".... John 13:21*

....*"His spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols".... Acts 17:16*

....*"He had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit".... Acts 18:25*

....*"Paul purposed in the spirit".... Acts 19:21 ASV*

....*"I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem".... Acts 20:22 ASV*

....*"Be fervent in spirit".... Romans 12:11*

....*"For what person knows a man's thoughts except the spirit of the man which is in him".... 1Corinthians 2:11*

....*"I will sing with the spirit".... 1Corinthians 14:15*

....*"If you bless with the spirit".... 1 Corinthians 14:16*

....*"I had no rest in my spirit".... 2 Corinthians 2:13 Darby*

....*"We have the same spirit of faith".... 2 Corinthians 4:13*

....*"A spirit of wisdom and of revelation".... Ephesians 1:17*

....*"And your love in spirit".... Colossians 1:18 Literal*

From these many passages we can see readily that the spirit clearly senses and that such sensing is manifold. The Bible is not telling us here how our heart senses but rather how our *[recreated]* spirit does and it would appear that the sensing of the spirit is as inclusive as that of the soul. The spirit like the soul has its thoughts, feelings, and desires. But how we must learn to distinguish the spiritual from the soulical! We shall come to appreciate this difference if we are matured through the deeper work of the Cross and the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit enables our spirit *[inner man]* to know *[through revelation]*; our spirit instructs the mind to understand.

....*"The entrance and unfolding of Your words [into one's heart] give light; their unfolding gives understanding [discernment and comprehension]".... Psalms 119:130 The Amplified Translation*