

# 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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## GOD'S WAY OF GUIDING

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\* Now comes the crisis. Which will we follow when intuition and soul clash in their "opinions"? This will determine who is to rule over our life and which way we shall go. Our outer man and our inner man - the man of the flesh [*sense knowledge and perception*] and the man of the spirit - are struggling for supremacy. In the early days of our Christian walk our spirit fought with the lusts of the flesh; today it is a battle between our spirit and our soul. Formerly the engagement was over the issue of sin: presently it is not a matter of good and evil but of natural good versus God's Goodness.

We contended for the quality of things before, now we are concerned with the "source" of things. It is a conflict of the inward against the outward man, as war between God's Will and man's good intention. To learn how to walk after [*out of*] the spirit is a lifetime's occupation of the New Man. If one wholly follows the s[*S*]pirit they shall overcome the man of the flesh completely. Through the strengthening by the Holy Spirit of the spirit in the "new man", the believer shall be able to destroy totally their minding of the flesh so as to mind the things of the spirit. This is life and peace!

**"sense knowledge"** - that which is perceived by what one feels, hears, sees or thinks based on their outward circumstances; that which is perceived [*and expressed*] through the soul [*mind, will, emotions*] - apart from "revelation" [*the Holy Spirit - Who is the Spirit of wisdom and revelation*];

....*"But I say, walk by the spirit [from the position of the spirit being in a position of predominance [ascendency] over the soul and body - thus, influenced directly by the Holy Spirit], and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh*

*[senses]. For the flesh [sense knowledge and perception] sets its desire against the spirit [inner man], and the spirit [inner man] against the flesh [senses]; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please".... Galatians 5:16-17 NASB*