

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 SOULICAL AND THE SPIRITUAL

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**"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct Him? but we have the Mind of Christ".... 1 Corinthians 2:16*

No one in the world has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct Him because all men *[in the "world"]* are soulical. The only way to apprehend God is by intuition. How can a person whose spirit is dead ever know the Mind of God? This explains why no such persons as this can judge *[discern]* the spiritual man or woman for none of these have known the Mind of the Lord. These are naturally the soulical people. On the other hand, the spiritual ones know the Mind of the Lord for they have a responsive intuition. But the soulical cannot know because their intuition is not "operative"; hence they enjoy no *[true]* fellowship with God. The meaning here is that the soulical can neither know the Mind of the Lord nor that of those spiritual ones who are fully committed to Him.

"But we..." indicates that "we" is different from those soulical people. "We" includes all the saved believers, many of whom continue to be "fleshly". "But we have the Mind of Christ." We who have been regenerated, whether babes or grown ups possess the Mind of Christ and discern His thoughts. Because we have a "resurrected" intuition *[spirit]* we able to know and have known already what Christ has prepared for us in the future. The soulical do not know, but we, the regenerate, do know. The difference is in having or not having the Spirit.