

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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* We need to possess a conscience void of offense, not in the sense that it is better than before or that much evil has been done away, that it is without offense and confident before God. This ought to be the normal condition of our conscience. If we prostrate ourselves before it and allow it to reprove us: if we offer ourselves entirely to the Lord and are willing to perform all His purposes: then our confidence shall increase until it is possible for us to regard our conscience as void of offense. We dare to tell God that now we have nothing left which is concealed from Him. So far as we are concerned we know of nothing between us and Him.

In walking by the spirit [*inner man*] we should never permit the tiniest offense to stir up our conscience. Whatever it convicts must be confessed immediately, cleansed by the precious Blood and forsaken, so that no trace be left behind. Each day we should seek to have a good conscience, because no matter how short a time one's conscience may be offended it renders great harm to the spirit. The apostle Paul has set us a good example in always having a good conscience. Therein alone shall we maintain uninterrupted fellowship [*communion*] with God.

....*"Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight".... 1 John 3:21-22 NASB*