

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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JESUS, THE INTERCESSOR

Jesus, as High Priest, carried His blood into the Holy of Holies, satisfying the claims of Justice that were against natural man. As Mediator, He introduces the unsaved man to God.

John 14:6, Jesus is the way to God, and no one can approach God except through Him. As soon as man accepts Christ he becomes a child of God. Then Christ begins His intercessory work for him. Jesus is Mediator for the sinner, but He is intercessor for the Christian.

The first question that comes to us is: "Why does the child of God need someone to intercede for him? We can find the answer to that in Rom. 12:2.

At the New Birth, our spirits receive the life of God. The next need is that our minds be renewed. Before we came into the Family, we walked as natural men...Satan-ruled men. Satan ruled our minds. Now that our spirits have received the life of God, our minds must be renewed so that we will know our privileges and responsibilities as children of God.

The New Birth is instantaneous, but the renewing of our mind is a gradual process. Its growth is determined by our study and meditation on the Word.

During this period we need the intercession of Christ. Many times we strain our fellowship with the Father, as in our ignorance of His will, we many times say and do things that are not pleasing to Him. Then again, we need His intercession because of demoniacal persecution against us.

Demons persecute us for righteousness' sake. They hate and fear us because God has declared us righteous. Because we have not fully learned of our authority

they cause us to stumble many times. Regardless of this, He is able to save us to the uttermost, because He ever lives to pray for us. Heb. 7:25.

No one can lay anything to the charge of God's child. God has declared him righteous. There is no one to condemn him. Jesus is living to make intercession for him. Rom. 8:33-34.