

# 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*

**March 11th**

**"I AM THE WAY"**

**[part 7 of 8]**

1 Peter 2:3-5 gives us a picture of our Holy Priesthood. "If ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious: unto whom coming a living stone, rejected indeed of men, but with God elect, precious, ye also, as living stones, are built up a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

It is our Holy Priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to the Father through Jesus Christ.

That is our daily worship, our daily fellowship with Him.

We always come to our Father in the Name of His Beloved Son.

We come with thanksgiving; we come with worship; we come with love.

We bring the fruit of lips.

Would that our hearts could understand what this means.

Our words are the fruit of the vine. "I am the vine, and ye are the branches," Jesus said.

And here is lip fruit: our words from which the wine of life can be made.

How it does touch our hearts to think that He drinks of the fruit of our lips.

Jesus said, "I am that living water." Now we can understand that.

Heb. 13:15 makes us know as we never did, the holy privilege of speech. "Through Him let us offer up a sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of lips which make confession to His name."

Now we can understand what it means to come into His Presence.

You come with your petitions.

You come with your heartaches.

You come with your burden, and He partakes of the fruit of your lips. Oh, how priceless are your words to Him!

The rent veil, the tender heart invitation to come boldly to the Throne of Grace, all mean something to us now.

We are coming in through the Living Way that Jesus opened by His great sacrifice; by His victory over the Adversary, that made our New Birth possible and our standing as sons a reality.

Ours is a two-fold Priesthood. We are not only a Holy Priesthood, but we are a Royal Priesthood.

This is pictured in 1 Pet. 2:9-10: "But ye are an elect race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, that ye may show forth the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light: who in time past were no people, but now are the people of God: who had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy."

This is our public ministry.

Whether it be as a layman or a preacher, we are showing forth in our daily walk, in our conversation, the fruits of this Royal Priesthood.

You see, we belong to the Throne.

We belong to Royalty, and we are showing forth His Excellencies.

We are advertising His love, His grace, His longsuffering.

We are advertising Eternal Life, His very Nature.

We belong to Royalty.

Is it any wonder that we have access to the Throne?

Is it any wonder that we can come boldly to the Throne of Grace?

We are walking up the New and Living Way!