

# **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 LIVING WORD**

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\* Jeremiah 15:16 says, "Thy words were found, and I did eat them. Thy words were unto me a joy and rejoicing of my heart." Job tells us how precious the Word is to him. Job 23:12: "I have not gone back from the commandment of his lips ; I have treasured up the words of his mouth more than my necessary food." When a child of God looks upon the Word as job did, then it becomes a Reality in his daily life. Job had no Written Word; he had the Word spoken by angels. We have the Written Word. We have it printed in many forms so we may carry it in our pocket. How little we have appreciated the value of His message. Psa. 107:20 "He sent His Word and healed them." That Living Word that He sent was Jesus.

Mark 16:19-20: "So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken unto them, was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word by the signs that followed."

Notice that the Lord worked with them. I believe that a revival would break out almost anywhere if the Lord worked with those who preach, and if the Word was as real to them as the Spoken Word was real to the Early Church. But the word of man has gained the ascendancy and has more authority than His Word has today. He confirms the Word today everywhere that it is preached.

I want you to notice how the Father makes the Word good in the lives of men and women as they dare to act upon it. In the closing sentence of the Gospel of Matthew, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the age," the believer can be sure that though he be forsaken by all others, there is One who will stand by him. But the thing that has most deeply impressed my heart is the Reality of

God in the Word. He is not only in the Word, but He breathes His very life through it as it is unfolded.

He said, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." He is in the midst of them in the Word. Jesus said, "If ye love me, the Father and I will come and make our home with you" (John 14:23), If we could only realize that when we open the Word, it is a Living Thing we are implanting in the hearts of men.