

# 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 TWO CONFESSIONS

\* After I had finished praying for one woman the other morning, she was satisfied that she was perfectly healed, but now the symptoms have returned and her heart is disturbed. She wonders where the difficulty lies.

I asked her, "Did you tell your husband when you saw him at night that you were healed?"

"No, you see, I wasn't sure yet. I didn't want to say anything until I was positive."

"But you had no pain? Was there any soreness?" I asked.

"Oh, that all left; but you see I have to be careful. My husband is skeptical, and I didn't want to tell him I was healed until I was sure."

I can see where her difficulty lay. She did not believe the Word. Had she made her confession to her husband, the thing would never have come back. But she played into the hands of the Enemy, and he restored the same symptoms that she had had and brought back the pain and soreness. This happened because she invited him to do it. Had she dared to stand her ground on the Word, and hold fast to her confession that she was healed, he would have no ground of approach.

Our faith or unbelief is determined by our confession. Few of us realize the effect of our spoken word on our own hearts or on our adversary. He hears us make our confession of failure, of sickness, of lack, and apparently he doesn't forget; and we unconsciously go down to the level of our confession. No one ever rises above it. If you confess sickness, it develops sickness in your system. If you confess doubt, the doubts become stronger. If you confess lack of finances, it stops

the money from coming in. You say, “I can’t understand this.” No. Because most of us live in the sense realm and spiritual things are very indistinct.

Hebrews 4:14 must become a constant reality: “Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession” (nkjv). Our confession is that the Word cannot be broken, that what the Father says is true. When we doubt the Father, we are doubting His Word. When we doubt His Word, it is because we believe something else that is contrary to that Word. Our confidence may be in the arm of flesh; it may be in medicine; it may be in institutions; but whatever our confidence is in, if it contradicts the Word, it destroys our faith life. It destroys our prayers. It brings us again into bondage.

Every person who walks by faith will have testings. They do not come from the Father; they come from the Adversary. He is refusing to allow you to escape him. You become dangerous to the Adversary when you become strong enough to resist him—when you have learned to trust in the ability of the Father to meet your every need. When that becomes a reality in your consciousness, the Adversary is defeated.

But as long as he can confuse the issue and keep you in a state of flux, you are at a disadvantage. May your confidence in the Word be strengthened to make you know that no Word from God is void of power or can go by default. There isn’t power in all the universe to void one statement of fact in this Word. He said, “I watch over my Word to perform it” (see Jeremiah 1:12); and again, “He who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame” (1 Peter 2:6). Your confidence is in that unbroken, living Word, and you hold fast to your confession in the face of every assault of the Enemy.