

# 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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## SENSE KNOWLEDGE

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### The Limits Of Sense Knowledge

**"sense knowledge"** - that which is perceived by what one feels, hears, sees or thinks based on their outward circumstances; that which is perceived *[and expressed]* through the soul *[mind, will, emotions]* - apart from "revelation" *[the Holy Spirit - Who is the Spirit of wisdom and revelation];*

SENSE Knowledge is limited to what the Senses are capable of assimilating.

If they are impaired by blindness, or deafness, or the loss of the sense of taste, or smell, the experimenter is handicapped.

In the scientific world, man's body has become a laboratory, his brain is absolutely dependent upon his Senses.

He can only know what he has experienced through these five channels from the outer world to his brain.

When he comes to problems like the Reason for Creation, the Origin of Life, Man, Motion and Matter, he is beyond his depth. He can only speculate.

If it were a mere problem of odor, flavor, or sound, that could easily be cleared up, but here he is passing beyond the range and the reach of the Senses, consequently he must speculate.

It is a suggestive fact that no man becomes a philosopher until he attempts to know something that the Senses cannot interpret.

Hegel's philosophy of the non-existence of a personal God was formulated because he could not find God with his eyes, hear Him with his ears, nor contact Him with his other Senses.

He was driven by Sense Knowledge limitations to leave the world an orphan, without a Creator, without a Ruler, for he had denied God's existence.

The philosopher is always dangerous when he leaves Sense Knowledge facts and begins to speculate.

Nowhere does Sense Knowledge seem so utterly helpless as when it begins to discuss God, spirit, and the beginning of things.

It cannot see man as a spirit being.

It cannot understand God as a spirit being.

Yet it recognizes that there is a hunger in man after God, call it a God hunger, that is ever searching, ever reaching out for something it cannot obtain through the Senses.

Because of this, we have Sense Knowledge religions beginning in idolatry and ending in philosophy and metaphysics. They all, like Hegel, deny the personality of God.

The reason is this: Their Senses cannot register sensation of spirit.

They can register the beat of the heart, and they know that life is functioning because their heart beats register regularly.

But they cannot see, they cannot hear, they cannot feel God.

They say that God has no personality.

They say that God is a great Universal Mind, without brains with which to function, for had He brains He would be a person.

They call this impersonal Mind, “Love,” “Goodness,” “Perfection.”

You can see the absolute inability of Sense Knowledge to find God by itself.

You can see in the end how utterly desolate they become.

They form wonderful philosophical and metaphysical conceptions and teachings, and they have slogans and striking sayings and affirmations, but back of it there is no reality. They are the product of the knowledge of the Senses.

Their philosophy causes them to question the reality of Satan, of sin, of disease and temptation.

In order to solve the problem they boldly declare the nonexistence of a personal God, of sin and judgment.

In doing this, they hope to get rid of their Sin Consciousness and of their Inferiority Complex.

This philosophy strikes at the very foundation of the Revelation of all that is given to us in Christ.

It is attempting to give the Peace and Joy and Rest of spirit that only Christ can give.

The reason they do this is because the church has failed to teach Paul’s Revelation about Jesus’ finished work.

Had there been given a clear exposition of the finished work of Christ, as unveiled in Paul’s epistles, these new Sense Knowledge religions would never have gained the ascendancy over the church that they have today.

By denying sin, they attempt to get rid of the need of the substitutionary sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

By doing this, they deny the efficacy of His blood and of His vicarious suffering.