

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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PAUL TEACHES US ABOUT PRAYER BY HIS PRAYERS

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* PAUL teaches us about prayer by his prayers. True, in Ephesians 6:18 he says, "With all prayer and supplication praying at all seasons in the Spirit, and watching' thereunto in all perseverance and supplication for all saints." You notice he uses the expression "with all prayer (or with all kinds of prayer) and supplication in the Spirit."

Whether that he in the Holy Spirit or in his recreated spirit, one can't be sure, but they would actually mean the same thing. It suggests in I Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing."

Your life becomes a continual intercession. It is not by words, the spirit in you is doing what Paul mentions in Rom. 8:26: "And in like manner the Spirit also helpeth our infirmity: for we know not how to pray as we ought; but the Spirit himself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered."

I have noticed at times when I have been depressed, and I could think of no reason for the depression, that afterward I discovered it was the Spirit in me making intercession; the silent agony of the Spirit reaching out after someone. It was my spirit blending with the Holy Spirit in supplication for some person that was in need at that hour.