

# 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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## SPIRITUAL FORCES

\* THE mightiest forces in the world are spiritual. They are not electricity or dynamite, but the unseen and unheard powers of the Spirit. It staggered me when I first saw this fact. A Spirit had created material things. That unseen ability had brought mountains, metals, trees, and flowers into being just by saying, "Let there be." Then I realized that spiritual forces are mightier than anything that our senses have ever realized. We have never realized that words are more powerful than bombs and tanks, but they are. And spiritual forces are the greatest forces of the world. God is a Spirit. Angels are spirits. Demons are spirits. Man is a spirit. He lives in the midst of spiritual forces. When his spirit becomes united with God, his combat with these spiritual forces as a believer should always be with the consciousness that they are conquered, dethroned powers.

They hold sway over man because he does not recognize the fact that he has been set free and that dominion over demoniacal forces has been placed in his hands. When Jesus arose from the dead, it was because He had conquered these demoniacal forces and stripped them of their authority; He had broken their dominion over the human spirit. When Jesus sat down at the right hand of the Father; it was because this redemption had been consummated. Then the New Creation came into being. He gave the New Creation a legal right to the use of His Name. He declared: "All authority hath been given unto me in Heaven and on earth. Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all nations."

He didn't say, "make converts," but "make disciples", students. He wanted men and women who would enter into their privileges and take their places as sons and daughters in the Family of God. Jesus conquered Satan for us. His victory over the adversary was our victory. We are conquerors today because of what He did. We enter into this victory by Grace. We do not have to do a thing but simply repeat the Name of Jesus, and demons are defeated. We have never yet appreciated

the fact that our enemy is defeated and that our fight is a Faith fight. It is our taking for granted that Satan is defeated that makes us masters. It is acting on the Word as though it were true that makes us victors. We have lived in the realm of the senses so long, depending upon what we see and hear, that it is difficult for us to grasp the reality of the Unseen.