

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 CHRIST-DOMINATED LIFE

* The Christ-dominated life is the only life worth living. No self-dominated life, no world-dominated life, and no man-dominated life has any real value before the Lord.

You may let your friends dominate you; you may let the world dominate you; you may let your inner ego dominate you. You might let some great religious plan or your love for doctrine rule over your life, but that does not mean anything beneficial for the world.

It is the Christ-dominated life—the life in which Christ sits on the throne—that counts.

The first step to having this type of life is to intelligently recognize His lordship. You stop your own efforts to make yourself better. You simply lift up your heart to Him and say, “Master, from this hour, I give You the lordship and dominion over this life of mine. From now on, until I finish the course, You are my Lord and Master.”

Oh, how far-reaching this is! How little we know of what this means!

The Spirit, writing through the apostle Paul to the Corinthian church, said, “No man can say [truthfully] that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost” (1 Corinthians 12:3).

I know this is true. For years, I tried to crown Him Lord, but I could not do it until that morning when the Spirit came in and took up His abode in my body. Then, I yielded my life to the dominion of Jesus. He took a Lord’s place over my life. This meant that He had to meet my obligations and supply my needs. He had

to be the real head of my life.

I had thought of it, planned on it, and figured on it, but never before had I entered into it. I became, unconsciously, His “love slave.”

Because I am His “love slave,” it is His business to give me food and clothing and shelter. I gave Him my best to make room for His best. He has a best for every one of us, but as long as I keep my best to myself, I have no room in my life for His best.

Then, as I went on with Him, I made up my mind that my best should be made better for Him. So, I cultivated my best and trained it, so that it might do better service and render greater joy to Him.

When He comes into your life, He does so to take your best and change it into His best. He unites Himself with your self and dominates and rules. Through you, He is able to bless other people, and you yourself are blessed, as well.

Today, I want you to yield your best so that He may touch that best and bless it. Then, your best will be a blessing to the world.