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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WHAT THE RESURRECTION GIVES US

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* The story of the triumph of Satan's defeat wouldn't be fully described unless we gave you Colosssians 2:15: "Having despoiled the principalities and the powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it."

The margin reads, "Having put off from himself the principalities and the powers."

You see, Jesus was held down there and only God knows what lie suffered until He had satisfied the claims of justice, had been made Righteous, and made a New Creation.

Then Satan's dominion over Him ended. He hurled back the hosts of hell. He crushed their death-dealing ability.

He stripped Satan of his authority and left him paralyzed and broken. Then He arose from the dead and shouted, "All hail," for Redemption morn had come! Redemption was a fact.

Satan was defeated. Now we can quote Colossians 1:13 once more. I want you to become familiar with this scripture. I want you to know it as you know two and two are four.

"Who delivered us out of the authority of darkness, and translated us into the kingdom of the Son of his love; in whom we have our redemption, the remission of our trespasses."

That was the greatest moment in human history.

That was a moment that will be remembered through all eternity, when Jesus stood before the wondering disciples and shouted, "All hail!" Angels must have wept before the throne.

The great Father God-what could it have meant to Him? Humanity, the hope of His Love and the reason for all Creation, was Redeemed; the claims of justice were satisfied.

The Throne could never be assailed. God had legally redeemed man.

All the ages of eternity will remember the heroic battle that Jesus wrought in order to prove to humanity that God was just and He could on legal grounds justify the ungodly, because His only Begotten Son had redeemed them with His own blood. Now God can on legal grounds give to man Eternal Life.

John 5:24 and 6:47 can become a part of human experience. "He that heareth my word, and believeth him that sent me, hath eternal life, and cometh not into judgment, but hath passed out of death into life." I wonder if your heart takes this in? There will be no judgment for us like there was for the Master; there will be no cross and no crown of thorns. There will be no suffering in hell for the man who takes Jesus Christ as his Savior-and it is so easy to take Him.