

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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WITH THE HEART MAN BELIEVETH

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* 1 Peter 3:15 "But sanctify in your heart Christ as Lord."

"Sanctify" means to "separate" or "set apart". We set Christ apart in our hearts.

When we crown Jesus as Lord of our lives, we crown His Word as Lord of our lives. This gives the Word its proper place.

Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father. His Word is in our hearts.

We give to that Word its place, and when we do faith becomes perfectly natural.

Proverbs 3:15 "Trust in the Lord with all thy heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding (or to Sense Knowledge). In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He will direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own conceit."

Be not wise with Sense Knowledge which leads us to repudiate the Word or to act independently of it.

2 Corinthians 10:3 "Casting down reasonings and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of the Word of God, and bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ."

This is very important if we want to walk by faith. The Word must be superior to Sense Knowledge, whether that Sense Knowledge be ours or someone

else's.

We want to remember that Sense Knowledge is always limited.

No man has perfect Sense Knowledge.

The Word of God is perfect. This Revelation is His perfect Revelation and it meets every crisis and every need of our lives.

If we trust this Word with all our hearts then there comes a quietness and rest into our spirits.

Believing is knowing. We know that the Word of God is true.

When He says, "And my God shall supply every need of yours," we simply know in our spirits that every need will be supplied and we don't worry; we have no anxiety.

Our hearts take courage as we read the Word. Our assurance becomes deeper.

This is assurance which is independent of Sense evidence. It may contradict Sense evidence as it often does, but we know that spiritual things are as real as material things.

We know that spiritual things are superior to physical things, for God, a spirit, created physical things.

We know that spiritual forces are stronger than physical forces.

We know that "Greater is He that is in us than he that is in the world."

We know that the Greater One is master of disease and weakness.

We trust in Him with all our hearts; He rises up in us and gives our minds illumination which they can get from no other source.

We know we cannot be conquered.

We know because we believe.