

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 INTEGRITY OF THE WORD

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* Genesis 22:16-17: "By myself have I sworn that in blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heavens and the sands upon the sea shore."

This was God's promise that backed the Abrahamic Covenant.

No wonder that man had confidence, and that we have this description in Romans 4:17: "A father of many nations have I made thee, before him whom he believed, even God, who giveth life to the dead, and calleth the things that are not, as though they were."

He not only called the things that are not, and they leaped into being, but He watches over His Word to see that not one word fails.

In Romans 4:18 speaking of Abraham He says, "Who in hope believed against hope, to the end that he might become a father of many nations, according to that which had been spoken. So shall thy seed be."

Now notice the next verse: "And without being weakened in faith he considered his own body now as good as dead, (he being about 100 years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb; yet looking unto the promise of God (the spoken word), he wavered not through unbelief, but waxed strong through faith, giving glory to God, and being fully persuaded that what he had promised, he was able also to perform."

You can understand that when that angel spoke to Abraham it solved the

problem.

Abraham never tried to believe; he simply acted on the word of that heavenly visitor.

Hebrews 7:22 is one of the unknown scriptures that every believer should understand. "By so much also hath Jesus become the surety of a better covenant."

God, who was the surety of the old covenant said, "by myself have I sworn," and He tells us in Hebrews 6:17-18: "That he interposed with an oath; that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we may have strong encouragement, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us."

Abraham rested on the angel's word.

Now we rest on this Living Word given to the Apostle Paul through the Holy Spirit.