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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"IN WHOM WE HAVE"

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* You see, this Redemption in the mind of the Father means a New Creation. It means Sonship with all its privileges. It means that we have come into the Family and have Family rights and privileges now that nothing can interrupt as long as we walk in Love with Him.

The second fact is what we are in Christ. It is necessary for us to review a little.

We are Redeemed. Satan's dominion over us is ended. He no longer reigns over us.

Not only are we Redeemed, but the moment we came into the Family of God we became Satan's master. God has given to us a legal right to the use of Jesus' name, and Matthew 28:19 declares,

"All authority has been given unto me in heaven and on earth. Go ye therefore, and make disciples (or students) of all nations . . . and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the age."

How is He with us? He is with us in His name, in His Word, and in the person of the Holy Spirit. In Mark 16:17 He said, "And these signs shall follow them that believe: in my name shall they cast out demons; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall in no wise hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."

And the 20th verse: "And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word by the signs that followed." You see, He has not left us at the mercy of an enemy. The youngest babe in Christ has a legal right to the Name of Jesus. Not only that, but he has a legal right to the Indwelling Presence of the Holy Spirit.

I can never tell you what that means to my heart.

I John 4:4, that last clause: "For greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world."

What will He do when He comes in? He will guide us into all Truth or Reality (John 16:13).

He will take the things of Jesus and unveil them to our hearts. He will impart to us the very ability of God. If you remember, before Jesus went away, He told his disciples to tarry in Jerusalem until they be endued with power from on high.

That word power means ability. The Holy Spirit was going to come into them with Divine Ability and make them masters of circumstances, masters of situations, masters of nations. So He can say, "Fear thou not, for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." (Isaiah 41:10).

That belongs to us today.

That is a picture of the 'New Creation. Not only did He give us Eternal Life and the great mighty Holy Spirit to live in our bodies, but He has made us the Righteousness of God in Christ. Jesus' life during His earth walk was amazing to men of sense knowledge. Righteousness made Jesus absolute master of every situation, master of all men because all men were sin-conscious. Jesus was not.