

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 VALUE OF CONFESSION

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* Christianity is called the Great Confession.

“Consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, even Jesus” (Hebrews 3:1 asv).

“Having then a great high priest, who hath passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession” (Hebrews 4:14 asv).

What is the confession to which we are to hold fast? That in Him we have a perfect redemption.

“Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins” (Colossians 1:13–14).

That redemption never becomes a reality until we confess it; few seem to grasp this fact.

In the face of apparent defeat, we confess our redemption and deliverance, and it becomes a reality. We do not ask for redemption; we thank Him for it.

That redemption was wrought according to 1 Peter 1:18–19: “Knowing that ye were redeemed, not with corruptible things, with silver or gold, from your vain manner of life handed down from your fathers; but with precious blood, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot, even the blood of Christ” (asv). This is not a promise, but a fact.

We confess that we are new creations, created in Christ Jesus,

“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them” (Ephesians 2:10).

We dare to say,

“Old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ” (2 Corinthians 5:17).

We know that we are not only redeemed and made new creations, but also that we are reconciled. We dare confess it before the world.

We confess our redemption from the hand of Satan, that he is unable to put disease upon us and hold us in bondage.