## 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

## **April 17th**

## THE VALUE OF CONFESSION

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\* First Peter 2:24 declares that we are healed:

"Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."

The work is done. It is not a problem of getting our healing, nor a problem of faith. It is a problem of the integrity of the Word of God. Can we depend upon that Word?

Jeremiah 1:12 declares,

"I watch over my Word to perform it" (asv).

Our confession must be a confession of the absolute faithfulness of the Word, of His finished work, and of the reality of our relationship as sons and daughters.

Our words determine our faith. Our words are our confession.

If I continually confess lack, then I believe in lack; my confession surely becomes a reality.

I confess the things that I believe.

If I believe in failure and weakness, I will confess it.

I will live up to the standard of my confession.

If I dare say that Psalm 34:10 is true, "But they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing," and if I stand by my confession, God will make good all I have confessed.

"No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly. O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee" (Psalm 84:11–12).

I dare confess Proverbs 3:5,

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

That is guidance. Not only is it deliverance from conditions, but it is a guidance into His will, into the paths of plenty.

Philippians 4:19 becomes the song of my heart:

"My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

What a confession this is! The heart waxes strong.