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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* The Bible is God's Word.

On the lips of love and faith every Word is God-filled.

Our daily conversation is the Great Confession. We confess Christ before the world.

We confess the fullness of His grace. We confess the integrity of the Revelation.

Our first confession is Romans 10:9–10:

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

We have found a perfect redemption. We confess it to the world.

In Acts 10:36 Peter said,

"He is Lord of all."

How that thrills the heart! He is the Lord of the three worlds: heaven, earth, and hell. Every knee bows to that name.

With joy we confess Psalm 23:1: "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want."

"O Lord, my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction" (Jeremiah 16:19).

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (Philippians 4:13).

I say to the world, "The Lord Jesus is my supply. He is my shepherd; I do not want."

There is a grave danger of our making a wrong confession, a wrong affirmation.

When we confess our fears and doubts, we give Satan dominion.

When we confess our sickness, that confession binds our wills as captives and holds us in absolute slavery.

When we confess want and lack of money, then want comes like an armed man and holds us in bondage.

When we confess lack of ability, we do so in the face of the fact that God said He is the strength of our lives.

These confessions of failure shut the Father out and let Satan in; they give Satan the right-of-way. These confessions repudiate the Word of God. They honor Satan.