

# 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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## WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT US

**[part 3 of 4]**

\* When we hear someone say what God says, we are inclined to think of it as fanaticism. Reason is always fearful of fanaticism. What reason considers to be fanaticism is, in reality, faith in the realm just above reason.

You may be reckoned a fanatic by the “reason people.” They weigh everything. They think everything through. They arrive at their conclusions. That is natural, and there is nothing morally wrong with it. But it is not Christianity.

It is not faith, and “whatsoever is not of faith is sin” (Romans 14:23). It is not the Word of God. The Word is a revelation of God, and a revelation of God is above human reason.

So, for us to learn the habit of thinking God’s thoughts after Him, of saying what God says, would be a climax of faith.

Take, as an illustration, “Beloved, now we are children of God” (1 John 3:2 nkjv). You repeat over and over in your heart that you are a child of God.

He says we are “partakers of the divine nature” (2 Peter 1:4). He says that “we have passed from death unto life” (1 John 3:14). He says He has “delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son” (Colossians 1:13). He says, “Sin shall not have dominion over you” (Romans 6:14). He says we have been “made free from sin” (Romans 6:18). He says, “By [His] stripes ye were healed” (1 Peter 2:24).

And yet, you limp with rheumatism. You reason with your tired brain. The

pain grows, and reason reasons. Meanwhile, just one look of faith at the Son of God, and your rheumatism would cease to be.

You can reason until fear grasps your soul like a giant and holds you in bondage until doubt is born and grows to the full stature of a tyrant, just because you refuse to say what God says about you.

You have no faith? Scripture says, “Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Romans 10:17). But Scripture also says, “Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead” (James 2:17). Thus, the result of real faith is acting on what God has spoken. Faith is not something for which you place an order and wait for delivery. Faith is the result of hearing the Word of God and then acting on it. God said you are His son. He said you are redeemed. He said you are healed.

Now, you look up and say, “Father, I thank You that what You say is true.”

It doesn't make any difference how you feel about it or what the appearance of things may be.