

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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TAKING OUR PLACE IN LOVE

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Love's Challenge

* Love is challenging the lovers to come into a richer, more beautiful Christian experience, to leave the lowlands of doubt and fear and enter into their inheritance.

Colossians 1:12 (Literal translation), "Giving thanks unto the Father who has given us the ability to enjoy our share of the inheritance of the saints in light."

God is our ability. He is able to make your life a success.

There isn't a thing in the New Covenant or in the finished work of Christ that does not belong to you. He is able to make you, all that His great heart desires you to be.

He delivered you out of the hand of the Enemy. He gave you His own nature. He made you a New Creation. You are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus.

He is in you now, living and working His own good pleasure. You are to yield to His Word and to His sway and let Him have right of way in you.

You have written yourself up as a failure for the last time. From today you step into the new ranks of the conquerors, the overcomers, the people who put things over.

You can do all things in Him who is your strength, your wisdom, and your ability.

Let the world hear you confess what God's ability is in you. They have heard your confession of weakness and failure. Now change your song and sing the song of a victor.

Every time you confess weakness, you become weaker.

Every time you tell people about your sickness, you grow worse.

Every time you tell people about your lack, you have more lack.

Begin to confess your fulness, the ability of God to make good. Tell the world that you are more than a conquerer, that you have no other testimony to give.

It thrilled me through and through the first time I ever said these words: "Christ now lives in me."

I had expected Him to be with me, but I was not quite sure but that I would leave Him sometime. I was afraid that sometimes He would forget to go along.

Then it came into my spirit-consciousness that He was in me, and that: "Greater was He that was in me than he that was in the world." I John 4:4.

Christ was in me! What couldn't I do?

I could get an education. I could develop latent abilities. I could become a blessing to the world.

Why? He was in me. His enabling ability was there.

Feverishly I scanned the pages of Paul's Epistles to get the proof of this mighty fact that I had God in me, that God was at work within me "willing and working His own good pleasure." Philippians 2:13.

I knew that I was no longer in the failure ranks. I knew I had moved into the success realm.

I knew God and I were united. He was not on the outside any longer. He was not only with me but He was in me.

Oh, the wonder of it, the thrill of it, the amazing grace of it – God in me!

And the biggest asset of the whole thing was that He loved me!

“Who loved me and gave Himself up for me.” Galatians 2:20.

He had identified Himself with me in my earth walk. There could never be any separation from now on. I would not give Him up and He would not give me up.

I have His life. He has mine.

He gives me His ability.

We labor together, my Lord and I.