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 I CONFESS, I POSSESS

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* It took me a long time to see this truth. After I saw it and thought I understood it, I still could not act upon it.

Christianity is called the Great Confession. The law of that confession is that I confess I have a thing before I consciously possess it. Romans 10.9–10 gives us the law for entering the household of faith: "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."

You see, with the heart man believes that Jesus is his Righteousness, and with his lips he makes a confession of his salvation.

You notice that confession of the lips comes before God acts upon our spirits and recreates them.

I say, "Jesus died for my sins according to Scripture, and I now acknowledge Him as my Lord," and I know that the instant I acknowledge Him as my Lord I have eternal life.

I cannot have eternal life until I confess that I have it.

I confess that I have salvation before God acts and recreates me.

The same thing is true in regard to healing. I confess that "by His stripes I am healed," and the disease is still in my body.

I say, "Surely He has borne my sicknesses and carried my pains, and I have come to appreciate Him as the One who was stricken, smitten by God with my diseases, and now I know that by His stripes I am healed." (Lit. trans.)

I make the confession that "by His stripes I am healed"; the disease and its symptoms might not leave my body at once, but I hold fast to my confession. I know that what He has said He is able to make good. I know that I am healed because He said I was healed, and it makes no difference what the symptoms may be in my body. I laugh at them, and in the name of Jesus I command the author of disease to leave my body. He is defeated, and I am a victor.