

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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* I want you to notice several facts about the relationship of confession to faith. Your confession is your faith. If it is a neutral confession, you have neutral faith. If it is a negative confession, it is unbelief dominating your spirit.

Unbelief grows with a negative confession. A confession of failure puts failure on the throne. If I confess weakness, weakness dominates me. If I confess my sickness, I am held in bondage by it.

These negative confessions are acknowledgements of Satan's dominion over God's tabernacle.

Your spirit always responds to your confession. Faith is not a product of the reasoning faculties, but of the recreated spirit.

When you were born again, you received the nature of the Father God. That nature grows in you with your acting on the Word and your confession of the Father's perfect dominion in your body, and it causes your spirit to grow in grace and ability.

You remember that your confession is your present attitude toward the Father.

In some special testing that may come to you, your confession is either in the realm of faith or in the realm of unbelief. Your confession either honors the Father or Satan—either gives Satan or the Word dominance in your life.

Now you can see the value of holding fast to your confession. Your confession either makes you a conqueror or it defeats you. You rise or fall to the level of your confession. Learn to hold fast to your confession in the hard places.

If the Son has made you free, you are free indeed (John 8:36). The Son has made you free, now stand fast in that liberty.

Galatians 5:1 is of vital importance to every believer: “For freedom did Christ set us free: stand fast therefore” (asv).

The time to make your confession is when Satan attacks you. You feel the pain coming in your body. You repudiate it. You command it to leave in the name of Jesus.

Romans 8:31–37 reads, “If God is for us, who can be against us?” (nkjv). Your Father is for you.

Disease cannot conquer you, nor can the author of disease. Circumstances cannot master you, because the Father and Jesus are greater than any circumstances.

You have learned, in whatever circumstance or condition you find yourself, to rejoice in your continual victory.

You know that 1 John 4:4 is true: “Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them.” Notice who you are. “Ye are of God.” You are born of God. You are a product of His, and of His own will He brought you forth through the Word.

The rest of verse four reads, “Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.”

“For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure” (Philippians 2:13). This verse has been my victory many, many times.

Now turn to Romans 8:11: “But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.”

You must recognize this fact. All is yours by confession, or all is lost by a

negative confession. You get God's best by the confession that you have it.

The secret of faith is the secret of confession. Faith holds the confession that he has the thing he desires before he actually possesses it.

Sense Knowledge faith confesses that he is healed when the pain leaves and the swelling goes down. There is really no faith in that. Faith declares you are healed while the pain is still wracking your body.

Let me state it again, possession comes with confession. Possession stays with continual confession.

You confess that you have it, and you thank the Father for it. Then realization follows.

Remember, confession with thanksgiving always brings realization.

Confession is the melody of faith.

Confession before realization is foolishness to Sense Knowledge.

Abraham's faith was contrary to sense evidence. He waxed strong, giving glory to God, knowing that what God promised He would make good.

Sense Knowledge has no real faith in the Word.

“That they...may know that thou...hast loved them, as thou hast loved me”
(John 17:23).