

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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HE PUT ALL THINGS IN SUBJECTION UNDER HIS FEET

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* "And he made him to sit at his right hand in the heavenlies, far above all rule, and authority, and power, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that which is to come."

You must always keep in mind that we were raised together with Him, and He made us to sit with Him in the heavenlies; so representatively, we are seated on the throne with Christ.

He is the head of the body.

We are members of that body.

So if the head is exalted, the body is exalted with it.

If He has been given all authority, that authority belongs to the Church, His body. It is for the benefit of the Church.

If He conquered all the forces of darkness and left them paralyzed and broken before He arose from the dead, it is as though we had accomplished that mighty work.

It is all reckoned to us, set to our credit.

When will our hearts take it in, and our minds become fruitful with this mighty unveiling of what we are in Christ today!

Notice carefully the twenty-second and twenty-third verses: "And he put all things in subjection under his feet, and he gave him to be head over all things for the benefit of the Church."

We are His body—then all these malign and wicked influences are beneath our feet.

We are masters of them all.

He did not defeat them for Himself. He defeated them for us.

He did not fight that battle for His glory, but for our good.

Adam had sold us out in his sin of high treason.

Jesus redeemed us, defeated our enemy and put him beneath our feet.

When will the heart take it in?

That knowledge should become as common to us, and as usable as the multiplication table. Someone must pioneer it; begin to teach it.

Hear the next sentence: "He gave him to be head over all things for the benefit of the church, which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all."

We are the fulness of Him.

John 1:16 says: "Of his fulness have we all received."

The same thing is brought out in Colossians 2:9-10: "For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily, and in him ye are made full, who is the head of all principality and power."

He is not only our fulness, but we are His fulness.

The word, "fulness" comes from a Greek word that is almost untranslatable: "pleroma," which means "completeness," "perfectness," or any other synonym that suggests fulness.

We have received of that fulness. That fulness has filled us.