

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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PRAYER AND THE CHURCH

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Satan's Defeat

* "One of the greatest blessings, one of the most wonderful facts is that Satan was defeated for me.

"Jesus' victory over him is my victory.

"When I was Redeemed in Christ, that Redemption was out of the hand of the enemy.

"I have been translated out of the kingdom of Satan, into the kingdom of the Son of the Father's love; in whom I have my Redemption, complete and perfect.

"Then I do not have to war to conquer Satan, because Satan is already conquered.

"He was conquered for me. He knows that he was conquered for me, so I take my deliverance from him and my victory over him in Jesus' Name, with thankfulness.

"I know that Satan is the author of disease and confusion and heart suffering. I know that Jesus said, 'In my name ye shall cast out demons.' When Jesus said that, He was saying it to me. He was talking to me personally.

"He said, 'In my name you shall cast out demons. Do you understand what that means to you?'

"I said for Him to tell me. He said, 'It means that you, personally, rule Satan, and his works—that demons are subject to you. Just as demons are subject to me, and disease and physical needs, and financial needs are all subject to me, they are to you.

" 'Remember how I paid Peter's poll tax? Remember how I fed the multitudes? Do you remember how I walked upon the sea? Do you remember how I turned water into wine? Now I am turning over to you this authority over the adversary.

" 'Not only that, but I am turning over to you the ability to use this authority, for ability has been given unto me in heaven and on earth. Now I want you to use this ability. I am turning it over to you. That ability will teach you how to use this authority that has been delegated to you to use my name. In this ability is my wisdom, my ability.

" 'The Holy Spirit is to bring that ability into you through my Word. You go now and use this delegated authority with my own ability, for I am your sufficiency to meet every need and every crisis of your life.'"

It is just as though Jesus stood in the room and said this to you. Not only this (and it seems as though this were enough), but He has given you a legal right to the use of the Name of Jesus.

You can say, "I have the power of attorney to use the Name of Jesus. Jesus declared that all authority in heaven and on earth were His. That authority then is enwrapped in the Name. It is a part of the Name, and He has given me a legal right to use it— the power of attorney.

"Now I can destroy the works of the adversary. I can set men free. Now I can break the power and dominion of disease and demons over the bodies, hearts and minds of men.

"Now I can actually take Jesus' place and do His works. I can understand what He meant now when He said, 'Greater works than these shall ye do because I go unto the Father.' I have His own Word for it.

"I have the same Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead within me.

"I have the same Righteousness that Jesus had, because He is that Righteousness.

"I rejoice in the fact of Satan's defeat on my behalf.

"I have the Name of Jesus. God is my own Father. What more could I ask? But that is not all. I am His own child. I do not have to try to be His child. I am. I am bom of His Spirit. I am a partaker of His nature, Eternal Life.

"His Word has given me absolute assurance of my relationship with Him; so fearlessly I make my confession to the world. I am a child of God. I am a New Creation. I am an heir of God, and a joint-heir with Jesus Christ.

"He loves me even as He loved Jesus. His home is my home. When I finish my work here, if Jesus tarries, I will go to my Father's home for it is my home.

"These great soul-thrilling facts have given birth to a real faith in my own heart.

"I have my own faith now. I have confidence in my faith. I know that whatever I ask of the Father in Jesus' Name He will give it to me. I know I have authority over all the authority of the enemy in Jesus' Name."