

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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MEN/WOMEN OF THE SENSES VERSUS MEN/WOMEN OF THE SPIRIT

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* THE man who lives in the realm of the senses is unable to understand the things of the spirit.

1 Corinthians 2:14:

"Now the natural man (or the man ruled by the senses) receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God : for they are foolishness unto him; and he cannot know them because they are spiritually understood."

That is the reason that scholasticism frankly denies the authority of the Word and its inspiration. When we understand that the men who are ruled by the senses cannot know God, see Him, have fellowship with Him, or understand His revelation, we know that their railing against our faith in Christ will have no more effect on us than the babbling of a child.

We do not deny the wonders that have been wrought through the knowledge that comes from the senses.

We thank God for them, but we know their limitations. If we call them "men of the body" we would perhaps understand it more clearly. If we could once grasp the significance of the fact that all their knowledge has come through their bodies or through some other person's body and that they are of the earth-earthy, we could understand their unbelief.

When we realize that Satan governs the body of the unrecruited, it will be

easy for us to understand how Sense Knowledge can be colored by Satan without one's being conscious of it.

The men of the spirit are those whose spirits have been recreated (received the Nature and Life of God) and whose mental processes have come to be dominated by that Life. Their minds have been renewed through the study and practice of the Word.