

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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SHARING WITH HIM

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* Colossians 2:13 (Way's Translation)

"In the rite of baptism we were laid with Him in His grave ; in that rite too did we share His resurrection, through our faith in the soul-awakening power of God, who began by raising Jesus from the dead. "And you too-for dead you lay in the charnel-house of your transgressions and the impurity of your sensual nature-you God thrilled with that same new Life of Jesus." Can't you see the utter oneness, our absolute union in Christ?

Can't you see that today you are partaking of His Divine Nature, that as you yield to the inward Life of God in your spirit, you will slowly but surely gain the ascendancy over your reasoning faculties until your mind becomes renewed through the reading of the Word, which is really the unveiling Mind of Christ. You will have the Mind of Christ.

Don't forget for a moment that in the mind of the Father you are sharing in the Throne of Grace. You own a share in it. Just as Way translates Ephesians 2:6, "We share His throne."

Why, our Head is there. Our Lord is there. Marvelous, isn't it? I sometimes wonder how Paul and John and the rest of them that are gathered about the Throne, feel about us down here.

I imagine Paul is just yearning over us that we might understand the riches of the unveilings that he gave to us of the Living Christ in His Resurrection. Can't you see how we reign with Him? In His Substitution we share with Him from the

cross to the Throne.

We were crucified with Him; we died with Him; we suffered with Him; we were justified with Him; we were made alive with Him; raised with Him; and are now seated with Him.

Now you want Weymouth's translation of Romans 5:17:

"For if, through the transgression of the one individual, Death made use of the one individual to seize the sovereignty, all the more shall those who receive God's overflowing Grace and gift of righteousness reign as kings in Life through the one individual, Jesus Christ."

This is the climax of our earth walk.

That overflowing Grace is the overflowing of the Love Nature of the Father that is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit.