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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THE LAW OF LIFE

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* The Law of the New Covenant is a perfect contrast to the Law of the Old Covenant.

The first Covenant Law is called the "law of sin and death." The Law of the New Covenant is called the "law of the spirit of life." One law put men in bondage; the other Law made them free from the law of sin and death. That was a fearful title that was given to the first law-"of sin and of death."

Both sin and death are of the adversary, and so the Old Covenant Law was given to men who were governed by the adversary, who had a Satanic nature and lived in Satan's realm. It was never given for New Creation folks. No man that is Born Again has any part or lot in the Ten Commandments. They were all fulfilled in Christ and set aside. You see, He fulfilled the Abrahamic Covenant first, and after that was fulfilled, everything connected with that Covenant was set aside and finished and rolled up together in that first document.

Then Jesus inaugurated a New Covenant.

The First Covenant was sealed with the blood of bulls and goats. The Second Covenant was sealed with the blood of Jesus. The New Creation that is under the New Covenant had a New Law given to them. Jesus gave it. John 13:34, 35, "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; even as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

The Pauline Epistles are a Revelation and an exposition of this New Law.

Just as Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy are an exposition of the Law of the First Covenant, so these Epistles of Paul are given us to explain the New Covenant Law. The Love Law The 13th chapter of I Corinthians is a Revelation of what this new Love Law is, what it does, and what it does not do. In Paul's other Epistles we see this New Law being demonstrated in the daily life of the New Creation.