

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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AFFIRMATION

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Two Types Of Affirmation

* There are two types of affirmations that I wish you to notice. First, there is the affirmation with nothing behind it but my own will to make it good. It is based upon a philosophy born of Sense Knowledge. That Sense Knowledge is a product of my own mind. If it be in regard to sin, I deny the existence of it. If it be in regard to sickness, I deny that sickness has any existence. We see this in Christian Science.

If it is a problem of ability to meet a financial obligation, I affirm with all of my might that I have the ability to meet it.

All that I have to make these affirmations good is something that I am, or have, of myself. The Word of God has no place in this affirmation.

I cannot say that I am greater than disease, or I am greater than this demand upon me. Consequently, my affirmation becomes a failure.

The second type of affirmation is based upon the Word of God. The Word says, "If God be for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31). I know that He is for me. I know that this disease that was laid upon me has been defeated, that it was actually laid upon Christ, and "by His stripes I am healed." (See Isaiah 53:5.)

That affirmation is based upon the Word of God, upon the Word that "liveth and abideth" (1 Peter 1:23) and cannot be broken.

Jesus said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away" (Matthew 24:35).

You see the vast difference between an affirmation based upon your own will or philosophy and an affirmation backed up by God Himself.

The affirmations based upon Sense Knowledge philosophy have no more value or ability to make good than is in the will and mind of the maker of the affirmation. But the affirmation that is based upon the living Word has God to make it good.