

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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OUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST

Who Are We in Christ?

* One of my favorite sayings is this: "When you were born again, you were not born to be defeated; you were born to conquer." I believe Romans 8:37, which tells us, "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us."

We are more than conquerors! We are children of God, dear to Him, and joint heirs with Christ. We have great riches in Jesus! We are heirs of all things. We are who God made us to be. We are a branch of the living Vine, for Jesus said, "I am the vine, ye are the branches" (John 15:5). We are the temple of the living God, for the Bible says, "Ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people" (2 Corinthians 6:16).

What Can We Do in Christ?

We can do all things, whatsoever needs to be accomplished. The Lord gives us the ability to do all He commands of us, so that we can say with Paul, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (Philippians 4:13).

What Do We Have in Christ?

We have life; we have light; we have power; we have peace; we have provision for our needs; we have all things that pertain to life and godliness. (See 2 Peter 1:3.) Yes, to be a Christian is more than just being a forgiven sinner. We are heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ Jesus; we are linked with God by the new birth; and we are partakers of His very nature. No wonder we can sing and

shout and be glad today, when we know what it really means to be a child of God!

Just remember who you are right in the midst of your battles. Don't accept defeat. Defeat may come and stare you right in the face. Refuse to accept it! Boldly sound a halt to your retreat. Sound the new note of advance and conquer. Yes, you are a conqueror through Christ who indwells your life!