

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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.... "we walk by faith [in the reality of who Love {the Word of God} says we are, in Christ], not by sight [soulical emotion, "sense knowledge" - that which is "perceived" through the five physical senses {soul and body - as opposed to one's spirit}]".... 2 Corinthians 5:7 NASB

* The more one probes the workings of an "emotional [soulical] life" the more they will be convinced of its vacillation and undependability. Emotion may be denominated the most formidable enemy to the life of a spiritual Christian. Unless the child of God waits quietly and attentively to receive and discern the revelation in their "intuition" [spirit], they can never secure the guidance of their spirit. Consequently, the total silence of emotion is an indispensable condition to walking by the spirit.

How often its small and delicate motion is disturbed and overpowered by the roaring of one's emotion. On no account can we attribute any fault to the smallness of the spirit's voice, for we have been endowed with the spiritual capacity to be able to hear it. No, it is entirely the mixing in of other voices that causes the Christian to miss the spirit's [inner man's] promptings. But for that person who will maintain their emotion in silence, the voice of intuition can be detected easily.

The upsurge and decline in "feeling" may not only disqualify a believer from walking in the spirit but may also directly cause them to walk in the flesh [adhere to sense knowledge and perception as their final authority]. If they cannot follow the spirit they will naturally follow the flesh. Because they are unfit to obtain the guidance of their spirit, they invariably turn to their emotional impulse. Be it therefore recognized that when the spirit ceases to lead, emotion will do so. During such a period the believer will interpret emotional impulses to be motions of inspiration. An emotional Christian can be compared to a pond of sand and mud:

As long as no one disturbs the water the pond looks clear and clean; but let it be agitated a moment and its true muddy character appears.