

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 NEW MAN

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God's Ability

* Luke 24:49: "Tarry in Jerusalem until ye be clothed with power from on high."

That means to be clothed with God's ability. This is ability to deal with disease.

It is ability to deal with demons.

It is ability to deal with circumstances.

Isn't it thrilling that we common men and women have such uncommon ability from God.

I want you to notice another remarkable thing.

2 Corinthians 5:17:

"Wherefore, if any man is in Christ, there is a new creation (or a new species) : the old things are passed away; behold they are become new. And all these things are of God who has reconciled us unto himself."

We are a new species, a God-created species. God's Life has performed a miracle. God's Love Nature has been imparted to us. It has driven out the "old nature." The "old things" have passed away. The old self has been displaced by a New Self, born of God. The old things of hatred, jealousy, bitterness, cursing, and all the other vile habits that we have cultivated have passed away. New habits are being formed in this New Creation.

The Life of God is gaining the ascendancy where Spiritual Death held sway. God's Nature, which is Love, is displacing the unpleasant traits of the old nature. We love where we once hated. We reign as kings where we once served as slaves. Wonderful, isn't it? Clothed with God's ability [*Grace*], we live a dominant victorious life in Christ.