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 Great Confession

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* Hebrews 4:14 in the Revised Version states :

"Having then a great high priest, who hath passed through the heavens, Jesus the son of God, let us hold fast our confession."

Christianity is called the Great Confession.

Hebrews 3:1:

"Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider the apostle and high priest of our confession, even Jesus."

What does it mean by "confession"? It is not a confession of sin, but a confession of our faith in the redemptive work that God wrought in Christ. It is a fact that faith is dependent upon our confession. If we have a hesitant, faltering confession, our faith will be weak and ineffectual. When we boldly confess the integrity of the Word, faith keeps pace with our confession.

Jesus is the High Priest of this Great Confession.

If you never confess your righteousness, it will be of no value to you.

If you never confess His indwelling presence, He will never manifest Himself in your life.

Few of us have appreciated the relationship of a good confession to righteousness.

Just as soon as you begin to acknowledge that you are the righteousness of God in Christ, sin consciousness begins to lose its dominion over you and the fullness of the revelation of God in Christ becomes a reality to you. Faith shrinks at a confession of sin-consciousness and shrivels under it. Faith grows and becomes robust under the confession of our righteousness in Christ.

The two grow strong and vigorous by confession.