

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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DEVELOPING THE HUMAN SPIRIT

[part 5 of 6]

* By the New Birth He had made me His righteousness.

I surrendered to that Word. I yielded to it. I no longer questioned or argued. I said, "What God says, is. If He has made me a New Creation, if He has made me 'out of righteousness and holiness of truth,' I must be what He says I am though I have never been taught it and have never understood it." I stood in the presence of His declarative statement that I am what He says I am. How my heart leaped for joy. I could not stay in the house. I walked the streets. My whole being was singing a new anthem of praise and worship and love. God says that I am His righteousness, that I am without condemnation. He has "called me into fellowship with His son." He, Himself, has crowned my life with joy.

It was all His work. I did not have to do anything but accept it. I wasn't passive.. No, I was aggressive. I said, "Father, if that is what belongs to me, I am taking it now and thanking you." I became righteousness-minded, conscious that He is mine and that I am His; that all He said in the Word, He has made good. I rest with joy in the consciousness of this new-found source of victory. Then it began to unveil itself to me. I said, "If I am the righteousness of God, then I can go into His Throne Room without fear. "I can stand in His presence without any sense of weakness or failure. He has invited me to come 'boldly to the throne of grace .

I was no longer afraid of disease.

I was no longer afraid of old age.

I was no longer afraid of physical infirmities.

I was no longer afraid of the lack of money.