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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* Sonship without true fellowship neither satisfies the heart of the Father nor the heart of His child. Our fellowship must be based upon absolutely sure grounds so that we may know that we can go into the Father's presence with the same freedom that our children enter into our presence. It must not be based upon grounds of pity or sufferance, but on the ground of love's own relationship. The Father is love and He has given us His love nature, so fellowship is as natural as breathing, as we maintain a conscience void of offense.

The Word of God teaches us how to maintain our fellowship and how to regain it if we should lose it. Fellowship with the Father is the very heart of the prayer life. There can be no "vigorous" faith exercised without a rich fellowship between the Father and His children. We may know that we are His children. We may know our "legal rights", but if our fellowship has been broken it shatters our faith, and fills us with fear and dread thus maintaining our fellowship with God is the most important fact of the spiritual life we are called to live in Christ.

...."And, beloved, if our consciences (our hearts) do not accuse us [if they do not make us feel guilty and condemn us], we have confidence (complete assurance and boldness) before God, And we receive from Him whatever we ask, because we [watchfully] obey His orders [observe His suggestions and injunctions, follow His plan for us] and [habitually] practice what is pleasing to Him".... 1 John 3:21-22 The Amplified Translation