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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* It is not in the nature of man to bear the Cross, to love the Cross, to buffet the body and bring it into servitude, to bear insults willingly, to despise oneself and desire to be despised; to bear any adversities and losses, and to long for no "prosperity" which is of the world. If you look to yourself, you will not be able of yourself to do any of this; but if you trust in the Lord, strength will be given you from Heaven, and the world and flesh shall be subjected to your sway. You shall not even fear your enemy, the Devil, if you have been armed by faith and marked by the Cross of Christ.

...."For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not in cleverness of speech, so that the cross of Christ would not be made void. For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God".... 1 Corinthians 1:17-18 NASB