

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 "natural man" - such kind of man possesses merely what belongs to the soul; he might also be called the "psychological" man. A natural man is "unregenerated". He does not have a regenerated spirit and lacks the "faculties" for knowing or understanding God's Word.

The "carnal man" - such a class does indeed possess God's life, having the Spirit of God in them; but instead of walking after the Spirit, they walk according to the flesh, having the Spirit, but not "touching" the Spirit; having the Spirit, yet not submitting to His authority; having the Spirit, yet not ruled by Him - this is the class of people that is termed the carnal man in the Word of God.

The "spiritual man" - this type of person not only has the Spirit of God within but also lives under the Spirit's power and walks according to the Spirit's voice. The revelation that this class will receive is unlimited. The Word of God states clearly that only the spiritual judges (understands) all things.

....*"For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so the thoughts of God no one knows except the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God, which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, **combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words**. But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised. But he who is spiritual appraises all things, yet he himself is appraised by no one. For who has known the mind of the Lord, that he will instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ [and do hold the **thoughts** {feelings and purposes} of His heart {Amplified}]".... 1 Corinthians 2:11-16 NASB*