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 SPIRITUAL FORCES IN THE WORLD

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* Philippians 1:28 is a remarkable statement in regard to faith.

...."And do not be terrified in even one thing by those who are entrenched in their opposition against you, which failure on your part to be frightened is an indication of such a nature as to present clear evidence to them of utter destruction, also clear evidence of your salvation, and this from God".... Kenneth Wuest Translation

It is your putting up a solid front before the world. It is your daring to act on the Word in the face of every evidence of failure. You know that God cannot lie, that He watches over His Word to perform it. You dare act on the Word. You may know all of these blessed, mighty promises. You may understand all the great teachings of the Word, but it is of no value to you until you act on it.

It is the Word that you act upon that brings results. Believing is acting. It is a verb. "He that believeth hath eternal life." Jn. 6:47. That is, "He that acts upon the Word of God hath." He is healed. He who acts upon the Word of God is saved. He who acts upon the Word of God cannot be put to shame.

Romans 10:9-11 is the challenge of grace to the broken, wrecked hearts today:

"Because if thou shalt confess with thy mouth Jesus as Lord, and shalt believe in thy heart that God raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved: for with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be put to shame."

This is God's eternal Word. Do you want faith? Faith comes by acting on the Word of God. Romans 10:17 says that faith comes by hearing the Word of God. Hearing means acting, doing the Word of God. You will never have faith until you act on the Word of God. You may have Mental Assent and you may glory in the Word and tell how beautiful it is. That is fine, but it does no good. You must act on the Word.

Step out of the realm of failures into the realm of the successful. Become a dominator of circumstances rather than a slave of the conditions around you. Be creative as Jesus was and as men down through the ages have been who dared to act upon the Word of God, and see what God will do for you.