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 WORD OF GOD

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We Are Recreated by the Word

* James 1:18, "Of His own will He brought us forth by the Word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of His creatures."

Read John 3:3-8. 1 Peter 1:23, "Having been begotten again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, through the Word of God, Who liveth" (American Standard Version).

The Word imparts to us Eternal Life. Were it not for the Word, we would not know that there was a Redemption or a Substitution or a New Creation.

2 Corinthians 5:17, 18, "Wherefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things are passed away; behold, they are become new, but all things are of God, Who reconciled us to Himself."

Our Minds Are Renewed by the Word

Romans 12:2, "And be not fashioned according to this age, but be ye transformed (transfigured) by the renewing of your mind, that ye may know what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God." Colossians 3:10, "And have put on the new man, that is being renewed unto knowledge after the image of Him that created him."

The mind is renewed by studying the Word and by acting upon it. One may study the Word for years, but if he does not act it, live it, is not a doer, the mind is not renewed.

James gives us the secret in James 1:22, "Be ye doers of the Word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."

Many Bible students are deceiving themselves because they are not acting, living, doing the Word.