

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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WHAT LIMITS OUR USING OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

* What is it that limits our acting upon the Word and taking our place in Christ? What is it that holds us from taking advantage of our Righteousness in Christ? We know that we are the Righteousness of God in Christ. We know that God is the strength of our lives.

We know that we have His ability. We know that He is our sufficiency to meet every crisis in our lives. We know that His Word in our lips will heal the sick, strengthen the weak, awaken the unsaved to their condition and bring them to a saving knowledge of Christ. All this we know. Why are we so slow to act? It may be an unrenewed mind.

After one is Born Again and comes into this vast inheritance of Grace, his mind is not in harmony with his recreated spirit. So, it is necessary that his mind be renewed. This unrenewed mind holds many men and women, who might be greatly used of the Lord, in a state of uselessness. Their minds may be renewed by acting on the Word, and by an intimate acquaintance with the Master through the Word. When the Word is ignored, reason takes the throne. Another reason why men fail to use their Righteousness is because the Senses rule their spirits.

Fear and unbelief are on the throne. They are afraid to take their place.

They see the need. They know they should be able to set that person free who is held in bondage by the Adversary, but that unrenewed mind, that lack of spiritual initiative, benumbs them. This comes from a low type of fellowship with the Father. They have no real appetite for` the Word. They enjoy reading about the Bible more than they enjoy feasting