

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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FRUITS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

* 2 Corinthians 9:10, "And increase the fruits of your righteousness." This Scripture has been challenging my spirit for some time. I often wondered what the fruits of Righteousness were. Then I remembered the fruits of Righteousness in Jesus' life. The fruits of Righteousness were not right actions only but they were carrying out the will of His Father, speaking the words of His Father. That meant healing the sick, feeding the multitudes, and all the other manifestations of His love toward man.

They were the fruits of Righteousness. If we are to bear the fruits of Righteousness, they will be similar to these. Jesus said, "I am the vine, ye are the branches." The branch bears the same kind of fruit as the vine. It is like the vine. It is a part of the vine.

THEN, the fruits of Righteousness in our lives will be blessing and helping folks, healing their diseases, opening the Word to them, breaking the power of the Adversary over their lives, teaching them how to live in the will of the Father, teaching them how to enjoy all the fullness of His grace, and by showing forth in our daily walk a fearless fellowship with the Father, a fearless attitude toward the Adversary and all his works, a fearless mastery over circumstances.

That would be bearing fruit. That would be bearing "righteousness fruit." This is something utterly new to most of us. We know about the fruits of love and the fruits of faith. We know the fruits of knowledge, but we know little of the fruits of Righteousness.

Righteousness here means the ability to stand in the Father's Presence without the sense of guilt or inferiority.