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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WORKS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

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* There is an Omnipotent God of love and faithfulness, and there is a vast body of people who need his ministration and blessing. We, who are the Righteousness of God, have the key to the situation.

God cannot bless without our asking for it. We cannot ask for it with any degree of confidence unless we are assured of our Righteousness. If one is free from the sense of guilt and condemnation, faith grows to miracle-working power. All this is to one end, that we might bring forth fruits of Righteousness. "The works that I do shall ye do also", said Jesus. He blessed the world-so will we. He fed the multitudes-so will we. He healed the sick-so will we. He comforted the broken-hearted - so will we.

He gave encouragement. He gave strength. He gave Himself. We will bear the same kind of fruit. Hebrews 10:1-4 "For the law having a shadow of the good things to come, not the very image of the things, can never with the same sacrifices year by year, which they offer continually, make perfect them that draw nigh. Else would they not have ceased to be offered? because the worshippers, having been once cleansed, would have had no more consciousness of sins. But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance made of sins year by year. For it is impossible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins."

They had a continual consciousness of sins. Jesus was the end of sacrifice. We, who have been recreated, have no more consciousness of sins. Why? Because we are the Righteousness of God in Him.

Hebrews 10:12-13, "But he, when he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God; hence-forth expecting till his enemies

be made the footstool of his feet."

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