

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 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 is quick.... dividing between soul and spirit discerning the mental conceptions".... Hebrews 4:12 (Fausset).

It is clear to all of us that we have or have had a great many mental conceptions of God's Word, and "truth" which never came from His Spirit. Conceptions, for instance, of the way God ought to work - hence our inability to discern His working when He works contrary to these mental conceptions [*preconceived notions*]. One of the greatest hindrances to the Holy Spirit revealing to us the Will of God is our mental conceptions. One may also have a mental conception of the meaning of a verse of Scripture which prevents the Holy Spirit from showing them the real meaning of it. Thus, the division of soul and spirit is intensely necessary.

Many find difficulty in guidance simply because God is not able to make His guidance clear to them because of their "inability" to discern the difference between the things of their mind and the things of their spirit. Thus the need for letting the Word of God work in us continually as a sharp two-edged sword dividing soul and spirit.

.... "For the Word that God speaks is alive and full of power [*making it active, operative, energizing, and effective*]; it is sharper than any two-edged sword, **penetrating to the dividing line** of the breath of life [*soul*] and [*the immortal*] spirit, and of joints and marrow [*of the deepest parts of our nature*], **exposing and sifting and analyzing and judging the very thoughts and purposes of the heart**".... Hebrews 4:12 The Amplified Translation