

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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* God has planned with Divine wisdom, the Body of Christ; and the moment that you are born into that Body you have your place in which to function. If anyone thinks that because of lack of training or for lack of this or that, they have no place, they are deluded by the Enemy. You have a place and with that place comes responsibility, and with responsibility comes a reward or demerit. If you do not take your place in the Family of God, in the Church, and begin to function, the Body of Christ is weakened because of it.

Some have the idea that their special vocation is to criticize others because they are not doing more. The Holy Spirit is the only one who has this position. You have no right to set yourself up as a critic. Your business is to find your place and fill it! Until you do, you will pay the price. I want you to know, my brother, my sister, that the price you pay for staying out of the Will of God is expensive. You may pay it in sickness, in loss of money or in unhappiness with your loved ones; for you cannot be the "protected one", the "cared-for" one as long as you are standing outside of the Lord's Will for you. Take your place! Give yourself to meditation, prayer, and study of the Word. Do not allow anything to stand in the way of your finding your place. Life will not mean much to you outside of God's Will.

....*"For even as the body is one and [yet] has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ. For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. For the body is not one member, but many. If the foot says, "Because I am not a hand, I am not [a part] of the body," it is not for this reason any the less [a part] of the body. And if the ear says, "Because I am not an eye, I am not [a part] of the body," it is not for this reason any the less [a part] of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole were hearing, where would the sense of smell*

be? But now God has placed the members, each one of them, in the body, just as He desired. If they were all one member, where would the body be? But now there are many members, but one body. And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; or again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, it is much truer that the members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary; and those [members] of the body which we deem less honorable, on these we bestow more abundant honor, and our less presentable members become much more presentable, whereas our more presentable members have no need [of it.] But God has [so] composed the body, giving more abundant honor to that [member] which lacked, so that there may be no division in the body, but [that] the members may have the same care for one another. And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if [one] member is honored, all the members rejoice with it. Now you are Christ's body, and individually members of it".... 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 NASB