

Successful Christian Life

1. A knowledge of the teaching of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Whose words are the final authority, the bar where every question must be brought for final decision. The words of every other must be measured, and their value determined by their statements of Jesus Christ. "In him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily" Colossians 2:9 "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Galatians 2:20
2. Consecration to do all the will of God as declared by the Lord Jesus. "Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak of myself; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works." John 14:10 "I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me." John 5:30
3. Recognition of the Holy Spirit as revealer, guide, interpreter, teacher, and empowerer. Without the presence of the Spirit of God in our hearts, our consecration would be valueless. We would not be able to live it and without knowledge of the teaching of Jesus, our consecration would make no sense. "For the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say." Luke 12:12 "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you." John 14:26 "These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual." 1 Corinthians 2:13