

important meanings as to the water of life which is flowing forth for each of us. Rev. says it will seep out of the throne of God, and of the lamb. I think that is very important. The stream comes from God. The stream that the ~~righteous~~ righteous man is fed by comes from God. We can receive much that is good from the study of the wisdom of this world. God does not desire that we turn aside from the very valuable things that the world has opened up. There is much that has been discovered, a greater part of it by godly men of the past generations, much of it added to by ungodly men of the present generation, much that is very valuable, and very worth our knowledge. I have even found that a book by an extreme modernist, or by an unbeliever on some subject from life can give us hints and suggestions that are very useful. Often we will find the same hints were in the Bible if we had ~~not~~ studied it more carefully and dug them out, not passed over them lightly without noticing them. Most of what is good in these books is in the Bible, but sometimes they give us clues and suggestions to think that we can check up and see if they are not useful to us. But the ~~source~~ source from which our real life comes, the source from which most of our knowledge comes, the source from which the food that ~~we~~ makes it possible for us to live and serve God effectively, must be from God himself. I think perhaps this thought is expressed in the Psalm, even though I hadn't noticed it at first, because is, "His delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law doth he ~~meditate~~ meditate day and night, and he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water." He is a tree planted by these rivers getting his nourishment from it. His delight is in the law of the Lord, and in this law does he meditate day and night. Surely the Psalmist has a similar stress to that which is here. It is from God, it is from God's word, it is from God's law that we ~~receive~~ receive our food. Just a warning, don't study the Bible simply to get messages for others. Don't study the Bible simply as a professional matter to enable you to carry out the work to which you have set yourself. That is ~~not~~ necessary to do, but if you are not feeding on the word of God yourself, you cannot be the source man who can bring food to others. Study the Bible every day as the source of nourishment for yourself, as the source of food for your spiritual life. Get the water that comes