Winning The Battle Of The Mind

Perfect Peace Of Mind





Loving God WithAll Our Mind

And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind

Matthew 22:37

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The mind is an essential part of our being

- Seat of Consciousness and Identity
- Command and Control Center
- Cognitive Abilities
- Mind-Body Connection
- Decision Making and Behavior

Bible

- "Mind", "think", and "thoughts"
- Mentioned over 160 times in the New Testament
- The concept of "thinking"
- Mentioned hundreds of times in the Old Testament

Paul in Corinthians

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

Awareness

- #1 Our mind is a battlefield
- #2 Our weapons have divine power to
- demolish strongholds

: Awareness #1

Our mind is a battlefield

- The battle of Truth & Lies

Holy Spirit > Spirit of truth (John 14, 15, 16)

Jesus Christ > Full of grace and truth (John 1:14)

Father God > God of truth (Isaiah 65:16)

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Satan - Father of all lies

John 8:44

He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.

Words > Thoughts/Perceptions > Belief Systems > Behaviors

It happens in the mind!

Examples

- Precious! > Security > I am worthy >
- Confidence > Steadiness
- Stupid! > Inferiority > I am not worthy >
- Fear of rejection > Social anxieties

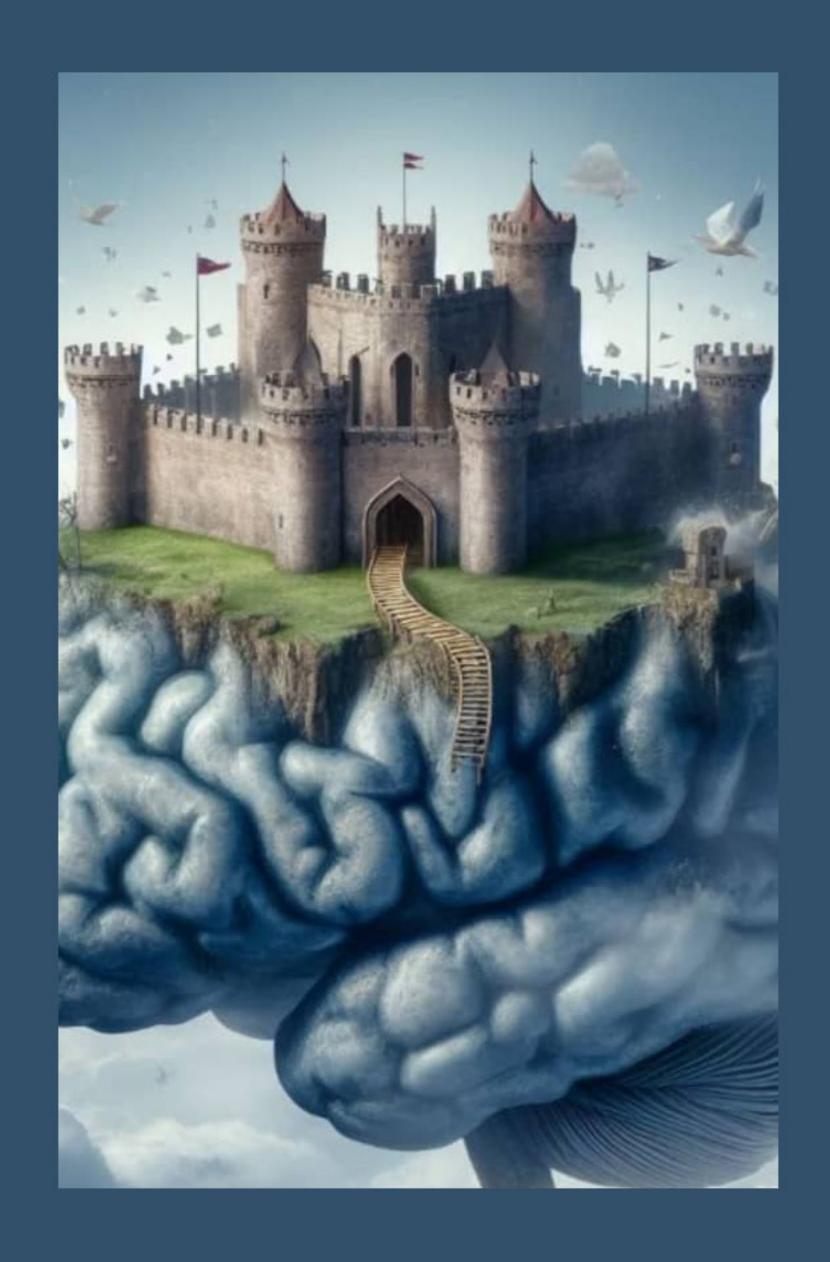
E Think about what you think about!

Strongholds of the mind

- false arguments and lofty

- opinions that counter God's truth,
 - and are strongly defended or upheld

Stronghold - fortified building



Unforgiveness and bitterness Pride and arrogance Procrastination and laziness Fear and anxiety People-pleasing and fear of rejection Jealousy and envy Lust and sexual immorality Impurity and moral compromise Selfishness and self-centeredness Perfectionism and fear of failure Addiction and substance abuse Victim mentality and self-pity Self-condemnation and shame Resentment and unforgiving heart would be and some least world by things Control and manipulation Anger and unforgiving spirit

: Awareness #2

- Our weapons have divine
- power to demolish strongholds

Weapons In Christ and through Christ

The complete package deal of the GOSPEL

Weapons - Identity in Him

New creation Chosen people

Children of God Royal priesthood

Friends of God Holy nation

Co-heirs with Christ God's special possession

Ambassadors of Christ Light and salt of the earth

More than conquerors Servants of the Most High

Weapons - Communion with the Triune God

Word of God

Worship

Fasting

Prayer

Intercession

Weapons - His Providence

Armor of God

Helmet of Salvation

Breastplate of Righteousness

Belt of Truth

Shoes of the Gospel of Peace

Shield of Faith

Sword of the Spirit

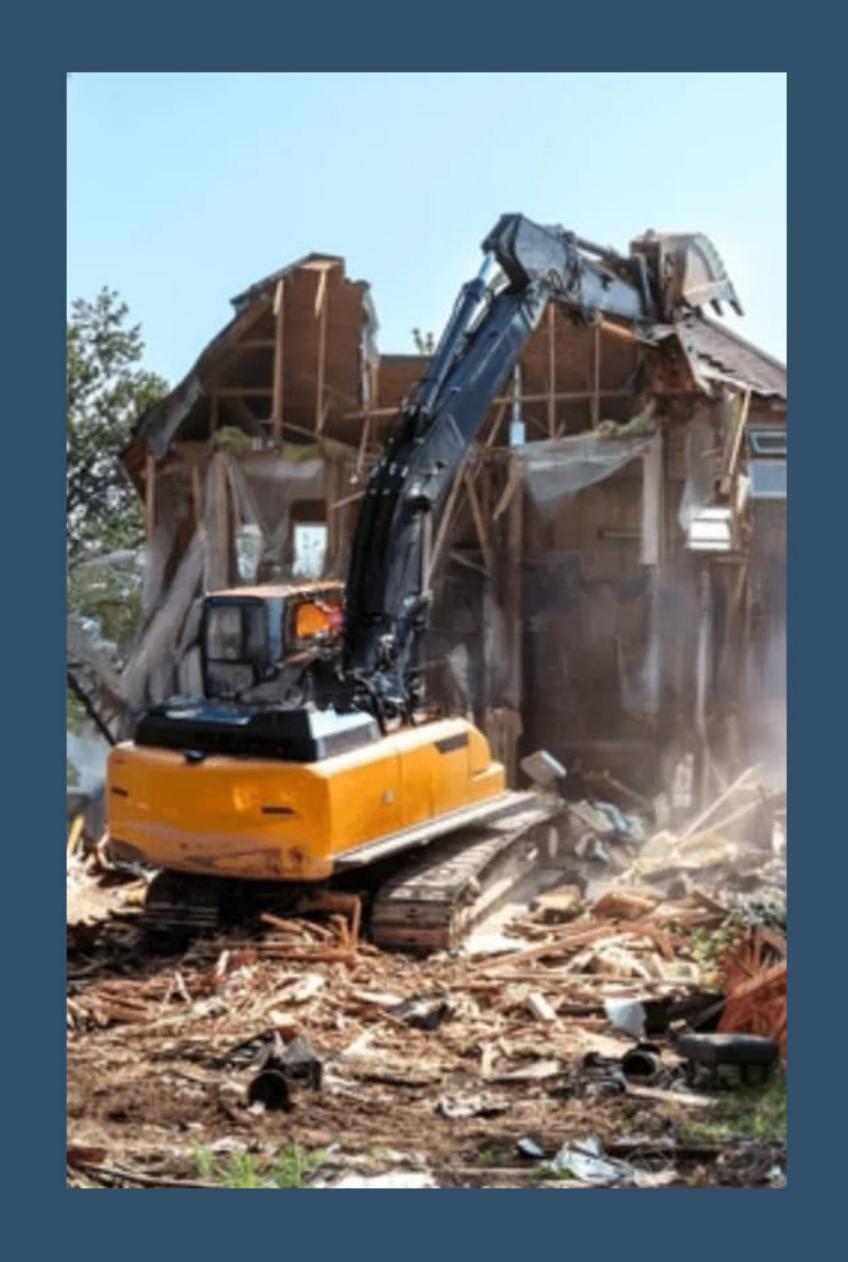
Prayers of all kinds

Spiritual Gifts

Praying in tongues

Singing in tongues

Dreams and visions



Romans 12:2

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And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Greek word metamorphoō, meaning "to change into another form".

To love God with our mind, transformation is a must

- We take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ (2 Cor 10:5)
- Good, pleasing, and perfect (Rom 12:2)

Transformation

TRUTH

Encounter truth to **reject** all lies, deceptions and negativities

FAITH

Trust in His Word to realign consistently

REPENTANCE

Turn away and **renew** one's mind

Loving God With All Our Mind

John 14:23-24

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Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make our home with him.

Let's Pray

Amen.

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Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long (Psalm 25:4-5). I want to love You with all my mind.