

TOPIC: THE RENEWED MIND.

THEME: WHY DO WE NEED A RENEWED MIND?

TEXT: ROMANS 12:1-2; EPHESIANS 4:24, 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17, PHILIPPIANS 4:8

Introduction

The renewed mind is a necessity for the manifesting of the lifestyle of the Kingdom of God. If the mind is not renewed. We will merely embrace a religious way of living and not the mind-set of the Kingdom.

Today we will be looking at the why behind the attention we should give to developing a truly Christian mind. Why does it matter how we think? Does God really care how we think?

B. WHY do we need a renewed mind?

1. Taking off the old man is as important as putting on the new man. **Ephesians 4:22**

Q: What are the differences between the old man and the new man?

2. Change must be embraced as part of the new life, not something avoided.

Q: Why is Change compulsory where it concerns our mind?

3. Your soul, mind, emotion and will must prosper before your life will prosper. **1 Thessalonian 5:23** – You are what you think.

Q: Why is the prosperity of your soul a prerequisite for your life prospering?

4. Recognise that your soul and your spirit make up what is known as the heart of man. **Hebrews 4:12. 2 Corinthians 4:16**

Q: How does the above understanding affect the renewing of your mind?

5. When your soul prospers, it tends to work in agreement with your spirit

Q: How does your soul compliments your spirit?

6. Through the word and determination the poor soul can be made to be prosperous. **Matthew 5:6; 3 John 2**

Q: How do you win the Battle field of the mind?

7. God created you to prosper and be healthy - poverty and sickness are not his will. **Matthew 12:35, 7:17**

Q: How do you bring your mind to the place of understanding the above truth?

8. God's word is the truth. The basis for all success in life. **John 17:17, John 8:32**

Q: What role does the truth play when it comes to your mind been renewed?

9. To have the truth in us is to live it every day. **Romans 8:5-6**

Q: Why should the truth be an everyday experience?

10. Where you set your mind will determine where you go in life. **Colossians 3:2**

Q: As a believer where do you think your heart should be set?

Conclusion

Renewing our minds is not simply "changing" our thoughts, but actually putting off the old, negative thoughts as well as putting on God's Thoughts.

As we renew our minds with the Word of God, our life is transformed, which results in the fulfilment of the will of God (**Romans 12:1-2**).

Transformation of life and change of heart cannot take place without renewal of mind. And our mind will never be renewed unto godliness if we are not continually exposing it to the washing of the Word. As new creatures in Christ, we have every divine resource at our disposal to be able to develop a truly Christian mind. Let us continually submit our minds to the authority of the Scripture so that our minds are continually renewed.