TOPIC: THE RENEWED MIND.THEME: HOW DO WE ENSURE WE HAVE A RENEWED MIND?TEXT: ROMANS 12:1-2, 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 further at "How do we ensure that we have a renewed mind" as believers who have been born of the spirit. How do you keep your mind from dwelling on unhealthy, untrue, distracting and unwholesome thoughts?

HOW do we ensure we have a renewed mind?

- By letting go of the low life in order to live the high life. Isaiah 60:1
 Q: What do we understand as the high life?
- 2. The biggest change you may have to make is who you spend your time with 1 Corinthians 15:33.
- **3.** Making growth and changing a part of your life, must be something you live and desire. **Matthew 5:48**
- 4. Stop spending all your life to defend what you know, seek to grow.Q: How do you grow as a person?
- 5. There is more to life than making a living Aspire to be better, bigger and greater Job 8:7

The Five R's of 'A' renewed mind

- 1. Responsibility. Take responsibility for yourself and your life Proverbs 4:23
- 2. Rethink. Rethink what you believe. Romans 12:2
- 3. Reject. Reject your old ways. 2 Corinthians 5:17
- 4. Review. Review your new way of thinking Philippians 2:5 (CEV)
- 5. Resound. Let your thoughts resound out loud. Philippians 4:8

Conclusion

To focus our mind on God definitely requires some work. If we don't take purposeful action to *set our mind on Jesus Christ*, then we will be allowing our mind to go anywhere it wants to go. Changing the way you think changes your perspective which changes how you act in the world. "Change your mind" is the central theme of Jesus' first sermon in Matthew. 4:17.

What you allow into your mind determines your reality and ultimately your legacy. So let's start capturing those thoughts of ours to ensure it produces the right fruit.