

RENOVATING YOUR HABITAT

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Don't miss this month. 🖐️ This month is going to set the course for 2026.

PRAYER

...For Holy spirit to write upon our heart Your Word and Your Truth. You help us change our minds and the way we think to align with Your perfect will for our lives in 2026. Thank you for impartation and confirmation of Your Word with signs following. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

New Sermon Series

NEW YEAR, NEW MIND—CULTIVATING A LIFE FROM THE INSIDE OUT

Our life is all about INSIDE OUT if you're in the Kingdom.

First Message

RENOVATING YOUR HABITAT

Definition

HABITAT = It is the environment, natural or spiritual, for a specific physical place where an organism—such as a plant, animal or microorganism lives, grows and reproduces.

So, a HABITAT is the environment that we live in. So, we're going to use this natural analogy to speak of the **Habitat of our MIND**.

Scientists discovered that our MIND was designed to store data based on on their calculations and run for 3 million years, the best they can guess. That's why a lot of people have a lot going on in their mind. *But something happened in the Fall to our MINDS when sin entered the world* and Adam fell. If you notice, Einstein for example only used 6% of his brain they say. So the average human being never really passes the usage of about 9% of their mind. That leaves a lot.

So there's a lot of capacity that you have that you perhaps do not realize. For example, your *subconscious MIND* which is part of your mind can record content and data and information four times faster than your *conscious MIND* can. So your mind is divided in two categories...

- The **CONSCIOUS**, the things that you are aware of—Right now you see me holding a mic and talking to you, your conscious MIND processing that
- Your **SUBCONSCIOUS** MIND has got access to data that you need to access on a regular basis. Like driving to a familiar place when actually supposed to go somewhere else. That's my subconscious mind based on data I've given it over time that it knows kind of where I'm going.
- Then you have your **NON-CONSCIOUS** or also referred to as the **UNCONSCIOUS** MIND, however you want to refer to it.

This is your MIND that from the time your brain is formed in your mother's womb—which is after your heart is formed your brain starts to form. *And once this part of your brain is formed, the unconscious mind, it starts to RECORD DATA.* It records every sound, every feeling of the mother, of the environment, the emotion, the language, the spiritual climate around your home, the presence of God. All that starts to influence the baby and gets recorded in the *unconscious or non-conscious MIND.*

That's why John the Baptist had a Holy Spirit experience in his mother's womb. He was filled with the Spirit while he was in his mother's womb. Isn't that exciting? So, a baby can have a supernatural spiritual influence and experience in the womb just like the mind of the child can record all kinds of things. That's why it is important how we treat our children while they are yet in the womb. It's important what they hear because their little baby brains are recording everything. They don't know what they're recording. They can't interpret what it means, *but they FEEL IT and they carry it and the RECORDING starts.* And from that time till into eternity future, *your UNCONSCIOUS/NON-CONSCIOUS MIND is going to continue to record data.*

Isn't that awesome? So that makes you pretty valuable, doesn't it?

So when we look at the MIND and we look at our LIVES, in this year. you're going to hear many prophetic words about 2026. And some of them will be very good. And some of them will be not so good. We're not against prophetic words in this house. You'll hear prophetic words in this House. You heard a prophetic word last Sunday when Beverley ministered.

However, *what I'm talking about this morning and throughout this month is vital for you to experience any of God's Promises and EXPERIENCE any Prophetic Word really COME TO PASS in your life.*

How about having the TOOLS to see it as a reality?

That's what we're going to get down to today. Because it is more important ...

👉 that you **EXPERIENCE** what **GOD'S HEART** and **DESIRE** is for you and your family.

And we are going after that...

- ➡ We want you to TAKE NEW GROUND
- ➡ We want you to EXPERIENCE GOD'S GENUINE BLESSING in your life
- ➡ and GENUINE INTIMACY
- ➡ And GENUINE RELATIONSHIP
- ➡ We want you to HAVE EVERYTHING GOD HAS PROMISED YOU.

However, there might be a reason why you find yourself in a situation where you might be stuck. Where there's things that you believe God wants to do in your life, but you're not sure why they perhaps have not yet occurred.

What we're talking about this month is going to help you throughout this year *to see things occur in your life that God desires and that you desire* and that are part of His promises in His Word. Amen. How many like to see that happen?

👉 It's one thing *to have a prophecy.* It's another thing *to EXPERIENCE the reality of it.*

*Romans 12:2 AMPC— ' Do not be **conformed** to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you].'*

We have two options: CONFORMATION or TRANSFORMATION.

➡ You will know with certainty what is the will of God for your life—for your family—for your church—for the Kingdom of God—for my children—for my finances—for my health.

➡ YOU WILL KNOW WITH CERTAINTY WHAT IS THE WILL OF GOD.

⚠ If you don't know the will of God, that is a clue to you right now that 🖱 something needs to occur in your MIND.

Meaning of “be not conformed” in the Greek text or Romans 12:2. The real depth of the meaning is that you don't want to be placed in a mold. A mold it takes a liquid that gets squeezed into the mold in the mould and it comes out of the mold and it becomes something. So the picture we're talking about here is that **we don't want to be put in the wold of the world's system** where we're literally squeezed into it, forced to fit into it. Because we now are 🖱 BORN AGAIN. We are 🖱 BELIEVERS.

We are 🖱 KINGDOM CITIZENS and the 🖱 HOLY SPIRIT lives on the INSIDE OF US.

So something different is going on in us. And as a result, we don't want to be molded by the world's system and conformed into the image of the world. We don't want to *think* like them. We don't want to *act* like them. We don't want to *process* like them. We don't want them to *program our mind* or in other words our *soul*, our *psyche*. And this word *mind* here is a very interesting word.

Definition

MIND = refers to the *learning center of our mind*. It's a Greek word. It's spelled like nuance.

➡ It's talking about **the emotional seat** within your SOUL

➡ It's talking about **the learning center** of your SOUL

➡ It's talking about the part of you that **perceives**.

This word *mind* is often translated *understand* in the New Testament.

➡ It's **where understanding dwells**.

➡ It's **how you make decisions**

➡ It's **how you perceive what is the right thing to do**

➡ It's **where you learn, you develop, you grow**.

So this is a very important part. That's why I like the word *entire* RENEWAL OF YOUR MIND.

Some translations will say *CHANGE the way you think*. That is definitely part of it.

🖱 But it's got to get deeper *on the inside of you* !!

THE **CHANGE** HAS TO OCCUR
NOT JUST ON THE **CONSCIOUS** LEVEL OF THE MIND,
IT HAS TO GET INTO YOUR **SUBCONSCIOUS**,
EVEN INTO YOUR **NON-CONSCIOUS** PART OF YOUR MIND.

➡ It has to get into your **EMOTIONS**

➡ It has to get into your **BELIEF SYSTEM**

This is dealing with the belief system, *what creates the BELIEF SYSTEM in our soul*.

That's what this is talking about. And we have a powerful text in Luke 6:43-46

Luke 6:43-45 “For a good tree does not bear bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit.

It's talking about us as people. Jesus is referring to this example to give us insight into ourselves.

44 For every tree is known by its own fruit. For men do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they gather grapes from a bramble bush. 45 **A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.**

So something is going on *ON THE INSIDE* of us and inside your SOUL

👉 that actually helps us **understand the SPIRITUAL STATE** of where we are.

And often times we can tell that simply by what comes out of our mouth.

➡ So as we go through these series, I want you 📌 **TO TAKE SOME INVENTORY**

IF YOU EVER WANT TO SEE WHAT YOUR SPIRITUAL CONDITION IS, JUST DO AN HONEST ASSESSMENT OF WHAT WE'RE TALKING LIKE

Not to beat yourself up, but just to say, "Hey, wait a minute. That tells me what I actually believe." Often times that is the case. And so if you let yourself go and you relax and you're not putting up a facade, and you're not marrying a mask, and you're not being fake, *you'll start saying the stuff that's really in your heart* ❤️

And that's what Jesus was talking about 👉 **WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE INSIDE?**

Because when God says, "**RENEW your mind**", **RENOVATE your mind**", He's talking

➡ **that your life will be TRANSFORMED**

Definition

TRANSFORMED—Greek word "*metamorphosis*."

You might have heard that word before in reference to a caterpillar becoming a butterfly, it goes through a process called *metamorphosis* where the caterpillar enters a cocoon and it *metamorphoses* into a butterfly. 🦋 So it doesn't look like how it used to when it went in. 🐛

👉 **EVERYTHING about it is CHANGED**

And the same thing God is saying that...

WHEN YOU GO THROUGH THE PROCESS OF THE RENEWAL OF YOUR MIND EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU CHANGES

First on the INSIDE and then life changes on the OUTSIDE.

3 John 1:2 'Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.. '

God's definition of WELL-BEING—*MENTAL health, EMOTIONAL health, FAMILY LIFE*—

all this stuff is connected to your SOUL. He didn't say "*spirit*" because 👉 **you already have the Life in God in your SPIRIT if you are born again.** So then...

➡ **WHY ISN'T THAT LIVE FLOWING THROUGH YOUR LIFE and you see it expressed in every area?**

WHY do we have this? **!! Because there is BLOCKAGES IN OUR SOUL !!**

So the issue is not that God doesn't want to heal you. The reality is according to Scripture and the Word of God, Peter says, you were already healed on the cross. Like Isaiah prophesied and said, "you are healed," Peter said, "you were healed."—Did Jesus die on the cross?—*Just like salvation is available to you.*

Now, that's very hard to process because right now, *you're going to identify a BELIEF SYSTEM.*

In this example internally, it's the **INTERNAL DIALOGUE** that's going on in your life.

➡ It's **what you SAY** to yourself

➡ It's **how you SEE** yourself

➡ It's **how you FEEL** about what I'm talking about right now.

You have a FEELING that this statement I made creates in you. It either reminds you of the pain of perhaps where you have not been healed yet. And it reminds you of the pain you've experienced while you have been sick. And if you've been sick and you've had a number of people pray for you and you have not gotten healed, that hurts, folks. That's a tough pill to swallow. Or perhaps somebody we know died of sickness and then someone says to you that Jesus is your healer and wants you to be healed. Then you have to process that.

And that's the place that the Holy Spirit is saying 🖐️ YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR MIND.

Let's look at Romans 12:2 in the Passion Translation. I want to show you a key in there. This **WORK OF RENEWING YOUR MIND** is *not meant to occur outside of the HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT*. That's the Good News. Where does the Holy Spirit live right now? *In your Spirit. We have God living on the INSIDE of our SPIRIT—born again, regenerated human spirit.*

Then we have to be honest with ourselves...

➡️ *Lord, why am I not living the life I know You've called me to live?*

➡️ *What is LACKING?*

➡️ *What is MISSING?*

Is something missing in the Holy Spirit? Is something missing in the work of Jesus on the cross? And often people will find definitions and justifications to agree with that narrative that something's missing. For example, "God doesn't heal today." That's a narrative people have created based on the fact of their whatever. That's not what the Bible says, though. And this occurs to every area of your life. I just picked on healing. I'll pick on another one in a minute. But the reason I'm going here is I want you to be healed. I'm guilty as charged. *I want people to really EXPERIENCE genuine healing.* I know the Father does. And **He's done everything he can do.** *Now He wants us through the HOLY SPIRIT to help us EXPERIENCE it.*

So what God began to show me is...

- The **BARRIER** in the SOUL
- The **BLOCKAGE** in the SOUL
- The **STRONGHOLD** in the SOUL, like the Bible refers to strongholds

🖐️ **These are the things that are holding us back !!**

And that's exactly what Romans 12:2 is saying.

*Romans 12:2 TPT 'Stop imitating the ideals and opinions of the culture around you, **but be inwardly transformed by the Holy Spirit through a total reformation of how you think.** This will empower you to discern God's will as you live a beautiful life, satisfying and perfect in his eyes.'*

Now we're talking about culture. That sounds like a habitat to me. *Opinions of the culture around you.* But be *inwardly, inwardly... That's the key part!* So, I love that because now we're talking about GOING INSIDE. So in the mind, but deep in your mind,

🖐️ **INWARDLY TRANSFORMED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT
THROUGH A TOTAL REFORMATION OF HOW YOU THINK**

So in other words, how you think about healing may need a REFORMATION.—But you developed a **BELIEF SYSTEM** and a **VALUE SYSTEM** where "*other people can get healed probably, but I really don't think I can.*" And that's the INTERNAL DIALOGUE you're having. *Your circumstances and your experience in your SOUL are having a conversation* that you don't know that's happening on a *sub-conscious level* that is just there. So that's why when you hear the word *healing*, it's a bit of a trigger for you because you're like, "Look, I don't want to face this thing, pastor. I don't want to get the hope that I might get healed. Because I've already been through that and I can't afford to have false hope in this area of my life. So I'm just doing the best I can." I don't say we shouldn't take care of our health. I'm not saying we shouldn't see doctors. We should. That's all good.

But what I am saying is  SOMETHING HAS TO CHANGE—ON THE INSIDE! This is exactly what God's talking about. There can be an **INWARD TRANSFORMATION**.

This word *transformed* in the Greek is the word TRANSFIGURED. And this word in Romans 12:2 is only used to describe two things in the New Testament...

- The mount of Transfiguration experience of Jesus. Only time
- And 2 Corinthians 3:18 *where the Holy Spirit will TRANSFIGURE and TRANSFORMS you from one degree of Glory to the next degree of Glory.*

That is the same word—*transfigured, transformed, and changed.*

Again,  **It's the WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.** And that's what I am thankful for.

And as we go through this series and we *REALLY DEAL with the are of RENEWING and TRANSFORMING our lives through our minds, THE HOLY SPIRIT'S GOING TO HELP US.*

Let's go back to the Passion Translation (Rom. 12:2), "inwardly transformed by the Holy Spirit through **A TOTAL REFORMATION OF HOW YOU THINK**. What is he saying? REFORMATION means *it's completely opposite*. So that means that...

 you developed a **STRONGHOLD** or a **PATTERN OF THINKING** over a long period of time.

You either developed it by ...

- wrong INFORMATION
- wrong TEACHING
- CULTURE
- BAD HABITS
- TRAUMA

I don't know how you got there. And in all honesty, you may not know either. But that's okay.

But if you allow the HOLY SPIRIT—through the **REVELATION OF HIS WORD**—

 To begin to **DEAL with the WAY YOU THINK** right now

 And TAKE INVENTORY of what you really THINK about

 And HELP **REFRAME THE INTERNAL NARRATIVE**

you'll notice that  **the clogs and blockages will begin to move out of the way and the**

 **LIFE OF GOD will begin to flow in you in a GREATER MEASURE than it ever has before in 2026.**

Example: If you look at tap, anybody in their sink, you got this faucet and you turn the water on, if it's clogged, the water doesn't get through so easily, right? But if it's free flowing, it'll just flow no problem. That's kind of the example of what God's trying to do.

Listen, if you're BORN OF GOD, we need to wake up to the reality that you are a *born of God* and you are a NEW CREATION. And that *NEW CREATION LIFE is on the INSIDE of your spirit*. That's why sometimes we come into the presence of God and you love the Presence of God. **And your spirit is so awakened and aware of God.** And you're like, "Wow, I believe God. Anything can happen in my life. You can do anything." Or you come into a Sunday experience or a conference or an event and you're like, "Wow, I was charged by faith. I was charged by life."

 **That's your spirit** really drinking of the Life of God's Spirit, FEEDING ON THE WORD of God, COMING ALIVE because *Faith is in your spirit*. You're like, "Yeah, this is possible."

BUT THEN YOU GOT A WHOLE SOUL, A PSYCHE, A MIND THAT HAS TO ALSO COME IN AGREEMENT WITH AND NOT RESIST WHAT YOUR SPIRIT IS PICKING UP AND BELIEVING AT THAT MOMENT.

And so as you do this, the Good News is you're going to find,  **ONCE YOU MAKE THE SHIFT** and the REFORMATION OF THOUGHT **that will become your baseline.**

Proverbs 23:6-8 Do not eat the bread of a miser, nor desire his delicacies; 7 for as he thinks in his heart, so is he. "Eat and drink!" he says to you, but his heart is not with you. 8 The morsel you have eaten, you will vomit up, and waste your pleasant words.

Definition of "miser" = The Hebrew says here "a man with an evil eye. That's interesting. And it says do not eat the bread of a miser, or a stingy person.



Context: "nor desire his delicacy." In other words, the context is that you're having dinner and your host is a miser. They are stingy. They have an evil eye, but you can't tell that they do because they appear generous because they're feeding you and they're going to pay for your meal.

That's the picture that Proverbs is using to describe a very important truth. It says, **"Don't desire his delicacy. For as the miser thinks in his heart, so is he. Eat and drink, he says to you."** You're having dinner with him. Watch this. *"But his heart is not with you."*—And the Hebrew uses an idiom here to express this. "He's got a hair stuck in his throat" and he's dealing with that, which is *his stinginess, his attitude*. He can't even pay attention to you.—Watch this now. *"But his heart is not with you."* **"That morsel you have eaten, you will vomit up."** In other words, *that food will do you no good. That fellowship will do you no good.* It'll be absolutely useless and "waste your pleasant words", even the compliments that you give, "Thank you for inviting us for this dinner. Thank you for this great meal. Thank you for this great fellowship." It's all a waste.

What is God trying to help us understand?

The Key text is: **AS A MAN THINKS IN HIS SOUL, SO IS HE.**

The word *heart* in the Hebrew is the same word translated *soul* in this example. So the Greek is *PSYCHE* and this is the same word *SOUL*. So he says, "As a man thinks in his soul, so is he." And this is what God was dealing with in Romans 12:2.

God is saying: 🖐️ YOU GOT TO DEAL WITH THIS MIND STUFF, with our inner dialog !!

So what God is saying here is, "Listen, you can pretend to be generous. You can offer me food. You can physically appear one way, but really what's going on on the INSIDE, what's going to MANIFEST —you can pretend to be generous, but you're not generous. You're stingy."

So God is using this example to show us 🖐️ **AS A MAN THINKS IN HIS HEART, SO IS HE.**

So God is saying 🖐️ WE GOT TO DEAL WITH WHAT WE'RE THINKING ABOUT !!

➡️ What is the **INTERNAL DIALOGUE**?

➡️ What is our real **VALUE SYSTEM**?

Why is it that I'm kind of committed to church, but I'm not really committed? It's something going on in your internal dialogue. How come you meet a new person that's a new believer in Jesus and you're like, "Man, they just have faith and they believe." Let me prove it to you. Are you ready? How often have you seen an unbeliever, wretched sinner, and you offer them grace. And they are sick and you pray for them, and *they just get healed because they have no internal dialogue*. Contrary to the fact that I can't get healed. They have no knowledge or experience. They're neutral about it. They're like, "What? You mean that's even possible? I didn't even think of that ever before.

- I have no script on the inside of me that "God wouldn't heal me because He's found all these flaws about me."
- I have no script in me about the law. I have no script in me about others. "Other people get healed and I don't".
- I have no script in me where I didn't even know this was possible.

And you pray for them, and boom, God heals them.—And you're like, "What? **Does God love them more?**". 🖐️ No. **They just don't have that BLOCKAGE IN THEIR SOUL** by comparison to us that have been in Christian circles for a while.

➡️ So WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH THOSE THINGS !! And the way we do it is

🖐️ With the **HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

🖐️ And the **TRUTH OF GOD'S WORD**

So, we start thinking about it and say, "Wait a minute, God. **WHAT ARE YOU TELLING ME?**

*I'm going to take some **INVENTORY of what's really going on ON THE INSIDE.** I'm not just going to live haphazardly throughout my 2026. I'm going to slow down for just a moment. And I'm going to TAKE SOME INVENTORY. **What's going on in my Mind.***

*I'm going to **TAKE RESPONSIBILITY to renovate my HABITAT,** my environment, my emotions. I'm not going to ignore them. I'm going to pay attention. **Why do I feel this way when my father comes over to the house?***

*I'm talking to somebody. Why do I feel this way when I encounter my mother or brother or sister? Why do I feel this way when I go to church? Why do I feel this way when it comes time to sow? **What is it in me that brings about this feeling?***

👉 **TAKING INVENTORY – WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON ON THE INSIDE?**

WHY DO I FEEL THIS WAY WHEN I ENCOUNTER THIS PERSON?

WHAT IS IT IN ME THAT BRINGS ABOUT THIS FEELING?

See, that's honest. If you do that and you *look in the MIRROR OF GOD'S WORD*, as James says, and you begin to FEED ON THE WORD and say, "Wait a minuter. Something about the way I feel about this versus what God feels about it is different.

➡ **God, would you help me CHANGE? And ALIGN and agree genuinely FROM THE INSIDE."**

See, you can't go around parroting the Bible and really think you're going to have massive effect in your life. Because if you just parrot, that's not the same thing as the BELIEVING IN YOUR HEART.

In 2 Corinthians 4 Paul said, "David believed and therefore he spoke." He goes, "We also believe and therefore speak." Having the same **SPIRIT OF FAITH** that David had. So, what is the SPIRIT OF FAITH? It's not parroting the Word. It's actually 👉 **BELIEVING in the CORE OF YOUR BEING.**

2 Corinthians 4:13 'And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak"

Sometimes we've dealt with this on a shallow level. And we're just like, "I can pretend to say the right thing, but in my heart I don't really believe that, though. Because "OUT OF THE ABUNDANCE THE HEART SPEAKS (Luke 6:45). So you're actually ⚠️ **CREATING CONFLICT INTERNALLY !!** Because you're saying one thin, but you're believing something else.

➡ Why don't we **DEAL WITH THE SEAT OF WHERE BELIEF IS**, the part **where the spirit and the soul agree?** Because 👉 you need **YOUR SPIRIT TO GRAB YOUR SOUL** to move your life forward versus your flesh and human nature do so.

WE NEED TO DEAL WITH THAT. So we need to deal with that scenario.

Romans 8:5-8 NLT—Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. 6 So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace. 7 For the sinful nature is always hostile to God. It never did obey God's laws, and it never will. 8 That's why those who are still under the control of their sinful nature can never please God.

Sinful nature is our human nature. Remember. There's an old man and a new man. You have two natures. The NEW NATURE is the BORN AGAIN man. And God is wanting that NEW NATURE to vie through your life. The OLD MAN is what? The old nature. So he says, those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things.

➡ **What's your mind thinking about?** That's another thing to check.

➡ **Where does my MIND wander? What are we thinking about?**

"But those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit"—I like the word *influence*" better—"think about things that please the spirit."

By now 👉 **THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS ENGAGED YOUR SPIRIT** 👉 **TO ENGAGE YOUR MIND.**

'So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death"—meaning no good things going to come out of that. 'But letting the spirit control your mind leads to life in peace.'" So you can literally have peace. "For the sinful nature always is hostile to God."— It's God's enemy. It resists God.

🧑🏫 Could it be that our **SINFUL NATURE that has occupied our MIND** since we were born **has set up some BLOCKAGE and WAYS OF THINKING, PATTERNS of THOUGHTS** that are automatically opposed to God?

👤 Is that why we might **need a REFORMATION OF THINKING** in a particular area? Absolutely. And it could be that our life lived and the experiences we have have confirmed those human nature experiences or the trauma, or the family that we saw. Maybe you grew up in a poor family and you grew up with poverty and you saw the effects of poverty. What do you think was happening? *Your UNCONSCIOUS MIND was recording poverty. Your SUB-CONSCIOUS MIND that does not know the difference between a lie and a truth, was recording the words your mom and dad said about not having enough and, “Finish every pea on the plate”, and do this and do that, and whatever. So you develop a POVERTY MINDSET. Well, there’s never enough. So I got to fight for what I have. I got to compete for what I have. I know I got to save. I got to do this, I got to do that.*

But it’s more a more about the ATTITUDE and the MINDSET that you develop related to POVERTY. And then you grow up with that MINDSET and you don’t even know it.

And then you know Jesus and you get touched by God and you’re grateful, but you haven’t addressed or dealt with this MINDSET in your life.

👉 So you still got to **LEARN HOW TO DEAL WITH THESE MINDSETS.**

- Because you got to take the opportunity to **CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK**
- And you got to learn to **TAKE INVENTORY**
- You got to learn **HOW TO REFRAME THE INTERNAL DIALOGUE**—which is the most important

*And once you **TRANSFORM THE WAY YOU THINK** about a subject, whether it’s poverty, whether it’s sickness into healing, you’ll notice it’ll be normal for you to THINK DIFFERENTLY. You’ll have a **REFORMATION OF THOUGHT, BELIEF, and ACTION.** You’ll think differently.*

*And I’ve noticed in anything I’ve ever learned throughout my walk with Jesu, I’ve learned it that way where **He does DEAL WITH MY MIND** about it. And that’s where the peace comes. That’s where the genuine freedom comes. That’s where you don’t worry anymore because **your belief is already set on God’s word.** And **your FAITH is activated** through this process. *Your Faith is genuine* at this point. Your Faith is not just a mental Belief System. *It’s something from your spirit that is now working in your entire being. And you absolutely know if God said something, it’s going to come to pass in my life.* I don’t have to have all the answers, but I can trust God in this thing. **You start to trust God.***

And you know what else happens? You’ll notice this internally. 👉 One of the SIGNS OF YOUR PROGRESS, you’ll get into a PLACE OF REST in that situation. You’ll start to breathe and you’ll be like, “I just don’t really have to worry about now, do it? I don’t have to carry this thing on my own.” Because you’re internally fighting.—You see, you might be sleeping, *but you’re fighting.* You’re worried. You’re anxious. You’re nervous about it. You’re constantly thinking about it. And then you’ll probably notice you’re constantly talking about it. We all do.

But the opposite is also true. You get into a REFORMATION OF THOUGHT concerning that issue. Let’s say this example of poverty or that example of sickness. You’ll start resting and be like, *“I’m going to be okay. It’s not about me anyway. It’s not by my power, my might anyway. It’s not about my righteousness or unrighteousness anyway. It’s about His Righteousness.*

In [Romans 8:10](#) it says, “,,the Spirit of God is life because of righteousness. 👉” You finally come to a place in your MIND and in your SOUL—The HOLY SPIRIT who is in me, He’s LIFE because I recognize I’ve been made right with God. And that’s a gift given to me. So, *I got to stop wrestling trying to become right when I’ve already been made right.*

And I got to NOTIFY MY SOUL...

“Hey, soul, I got you. You’ve been rhyming off things that you heard in religion. You’ve been trying to get perfected by the law.—Hey soul, maybe you’re trying to find acceptance before God by doing good and pleasing Him. Hey soul, you don’t have to do that anymore.—Hey, soul, you’ve been accepted in the beloved in Christ. You were blameless before the foundation of the world in Christ. And when you accepted Jesus on the cross, part of that deal was you became the righteousness of God, and you exchanged your sinful nature that’s trying to dominate the way you think and feel about yourself. And it needs to change!

Why don't you think and agree with God's Word that you've been made the righteousness of God and God accepts you the way you are. And *He's given you the GIFT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS so there would be no blockage, no barrier, no hindrance in your relationship with Him.*"

➡ That's HOW YOU RENEW YOUR MIND by the help of the HOLY SPIRIT on that topic.

Because those are **foundational beliefs**. You'll find that if you're saying, "I'm not getting healed because I'm not good enough." Well, we don't live in the Old Testament. We live in the New Testament that Jesus who was sinless, completely sinless, did not deserve the cross. He took on stripes for our healing. He was cursed. He was punished with the wrath of God so we could have peace. He was cursed so we would be blessed. He became sin, the scripture says, so we would become —this is an *IDENTIFICATION Word*—the **RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD Himself**. T

What is happening right now? 🖱️ The **SPIRIT OF GOD** is starting to come in and MINISTER TO US.

What's He doing? 🖱️ He's **HELPING US TO CHANGE ...**

- A **FOUNDATIONAL ROOT—THOUGHT PROCESS—or PATTERN OF BELIEF.**

If you're struggling with what I said right now, that's good because your MIND is being challenged to realize, "what if I am already the RIGHTEOUSNESS of GOD, I *don't have to strive anymore to find His acceptance*. No, I **function out of a place of acceptance**. My Father genuinely *already* LOVES ME. He's *already* PLEASED WITH ME."

And then suddenly Scriptures start to make sense. Suddenly, Philippians 1:5 pops into your head.

Philippians 1:6 being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ

"Oh, the good work that God begun in me in Christ Jesus, He will see to it that He will bring it to completion. I'm confident of this very thing."—Really? Yes, I am.—How did He begin it? **When I got BORN AGAIN and I became the RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD**. HE will COMPLETE IT until the day of Christ's return. In other words, it's not up to me. You see the REST starts to come. You don't need to rest in sin. You have a human nature that will do the job for you if your soul agrees with it.

**WHATEVER YOUR SOUL AND MIND AGREES WITH,
THAT NATURE WILL WIN OUT OF YOUR LIFE.**

You'll make decisions out of your human nature, if your SOUL AGREES.

You'll make decisions out of your SPIRITUAL NATURE that God gave you, if your SOUL AGREES.

That's why God says, "**Hey, let's get this MIND renewed!**—Because that's the thing that's going to bring you into the perfect will of God. That's going to bring you into the well-pleasing thing in My sight. That's going to give you the joy. **That's going to give you the TRANSFORMATION, the TRANSFIGURATION. You are going to be NEW. You're not going to be recognized.**" The NLT says "*You'll become a new person.*" YOUR **HABITAT CHANGES** SO MUCH that you realize that **it's not just your MIND that's living in you. You're living in the MIND every day.** You're living with the **thoughts** you're thinking. You're living with the **emotions** you're feeling. You're living with the **reminder of the memories**. You're living with your **imagination**. You're living with those **silent voices** you heard others say over you that are not true.

➡ ➡ ➡ THE REAL BATTLE IS IN THE MIND 🧠 The real issue is the **NARRATIVE** going on

INSIDE. 🖱️ And if we can **CHANGE THAT NARRATIVE, we can have a guarantee that everything else God has promised will just START HAPPENING.** You'll start seeing your body start to heal and repair— Did you know that the human body is designed to heal itself and repair? The only reason it doesn't is if you don't give your body something to agree with. If your body agrees with the human nature, it's going to work on dying. *But if your BODY starts to agree with the nature that God placed in your SPIRIT and your BODY aligns itself with your human SPIRIT and your SOUL agrees with that* 🖱️ *your body will be notified*, "Hey, listen, you're not in charge. You're designed to heal, go ahead and heal now." *And then the LIFE of the SPIRIT will come out and start to get into your body and things will start to heal. It may not be immediate but it'll start.*

But if we live only externally where everything is external around us and what's happening—and that's how we live our life— Oh what happened on the news...

WE GOT TO DEAL WITH THE MIND.

We got to not live externally but INTERNALLY. Internally conscious.

We (as pastors) can do our best to FEED YOU THE WORD OF GOD and help you this way and be transparent and honest with you, **but by the Help of the HOLY SPIRIT, you got to grab His hand and say**, “Hey, You know what, God? ➡ LET'S DO this thing. LET'S just CHANGE IT. “

And I'm telling you, **IT'S WORTH IT** because **THE CHANGE LAST FOR A LIFETIME**.

➡ Once you get over and you **REFORM IN YOUR THOUGHT A WHOLE NEW WAY OF THINKING**, it becomes normal for you. It's your NATURAL RESPONSE.

Example: So once you move from a poverty mindset to God being your provider and He doesn't want you to be poor. And He wants you to be generous. And He wants you to serve in the Kingdom. If you have an unfortunate circumstance you come across, perhaps you lost your job, you don't get nervous about it. You're like “Oh, this is strange.” Because your NATURAL INTERNAL DIALOGUE and BELIEF SYSTEM is completely opposite. So you're like, “Ah, what? Well, God, what's going on?” And you find out, “Oh, God, then you must be opening another door for me.” And you'll find God will prosper you, open a better door, make a bigger way for you, and open up something you would have never seen had you not got in the hallway from the last door in between to the next door. And you say, “I'm just in the hallway because God's leading me to the next door. “Which one is it, Lord? What are You doing in my life?”

But that's because you already had a REFORMATION OF THOUGHT before the job situation changed. And now you face challenges differently. Not out of anxiety, not out of stress, not out of fear, not out of worry, but out of genuine faith that arises on the inside of you. And you recognize and say, “Hey, wait a minute. My God is my provider.” And guess what? This is not normal for me. So God, you got something better coming for me. Let's go for it. What do I need to do? How do I need to prepare? Come on, God. I'm ready to go where you're taking me next.

So something changes. I've experienced that in my own life. That is such a beautiful feeling to not let your soul fighting you while you're fighting life. But also imagine YOUR SOUL JOINING FORCES in AGREEMENT WITH GOD to take on Life's Challenges. Because we will have challenges. By the way, we're not saying you won't have challenges. What we're saying is **your whole way of dealing with them is going to change**.

And you will experience BREAKTHROUGH. Now look at your life. You have experienced breakthroughs in your life. You have experienced things that God has done for you and thank God for that. But imagine how much more will start flowing out of you. How much more peace you'll have in your MIND. How much more your EMOTIONS will be settled and be peaceful. That is what God is going to bring about in our lives.

Next week we will continue on REFRAMING YOUR INNER DIALOGUE. This is probably the most important part of the series that we're going to get into.

COMMUNION

1 Corinthians 11:24- 25 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” 25 In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Isaiah 53:4-5 Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. 5 But He was wounded[e] for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.

If He was beaten for you, why are you beating yourself up?

We need to learn to forgive ourselves for the things we feel that we are not qualified for that.

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2 Corinthians 10:4-6 For the weapons of our warfare are not [a]carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, 6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

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Matthew 6:23 TPT—For your heart will always pursue what you value as your treasure.

Where is your treasure?— Where are your finances?—Where your treasure is, is your heart.