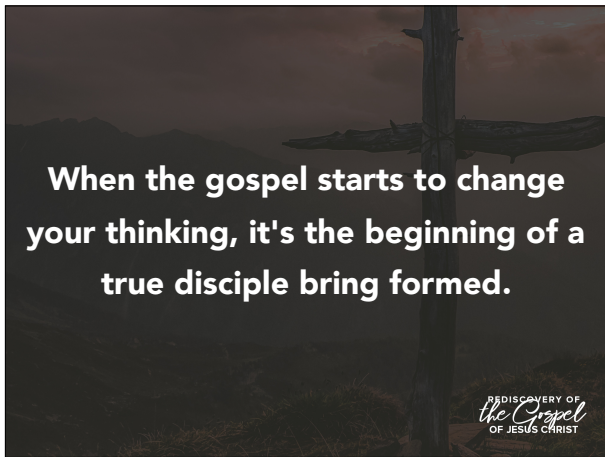




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Rom 12:2 (NIV)

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will.

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2 Cor 10:3 - 5

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 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..."

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1. The need for a renewed mind:

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Matt 6:10

"Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

Whenever the will of God is understood and obeyed, the kingdom has just invaded.

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John 6:38

"For I have come down from Heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of Him who sent Me."

The enemy is after our mind as he knows that if He can block the mind from changing in its thinking, he has removed the potential for Heavens invasion.

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To be transformed is more than simply avoiding behavior like the world:

"And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light" (Matthew 17:2; Mark 9:2).

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● The hostile mind

Col 1:21, "And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your MIND by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled..."

● The blinded mind

2 Cor 4:4, "The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God."

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- **The defiled mind**

Titus 1:15, "To the pure all things are pure, but to those who are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure; but even their mind and consciences are defiled..."

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- **The spirit of our mind**

*Eph 4:20 - 24, "But you have not so learned Christ, if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and **BE RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT OF YOUR MIND**, and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness."*

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Now, what in the world is that? 'The Spirit of your mind.' It means at least this: the human mind is not a sophisticated computer managing data, which it then faithfully presents to the heart for appropriate emotional responses. The mind has a "spirit." In other words, our mind has what we call a "mindset." It doesn't just have a view, it has a viewpoint. It doesn't just have the power to perceive and detect; it also has a posture, a demeanor, a bearing, an attitude, a bent.

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- **The doubtful mind**

- **The religious mind**

- The religious mind knows about God... yet the transformed person, through the renewed mind knows God.
- The religious mind is easily altered in their affection for God. The renewed mind trusts when it doesn't understand.
- **The renewed mind keeps the heart soft and open for instruction**, the religious mind often hardens the heart through the puffing up of knowledge.

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- **The futile mind**

1 Pet 1:13 - 14, "... gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; as obedient children, **NOT CONFORMING** yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance..."

Eph 4:17 - 18, "This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the **FUTILITY OF THEIR MIND**, having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, **because of the hardness of their heart...**"

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A. What does the renewed mind do?

Rom 12: 2, "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.

Prove / Approve:

'To evaluate thoroughly, to prove that its genuine.'

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B. How do I do this?

- Go to the **WORD** of God.

John 8:31 - 32, "If you abide in my word, you are my disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Learn to have intimate knowing of TRUTH.

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- Go with the Holy Spirit:

Titus 3:4 - 6

"But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and **RENEWING** of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior..."

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- Learn to abide:

- Through meditation
- Catching thoughts, harnessing them.
- Recognizing what is the 'attitude of our mind'
- Prayer

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