

UNDERSTANDING MAN AND SIN

(I Thes. 5:23 / Rom. 6:11-14)

I. Man - a three-fold (triune) creature

a. The Three Parts

1. Spirit - Human spirit in lost or born again state (John 3:6)
Part of man that contacts god (John 4:24)
Called the heart (Rom. 2:29)
the new creation (II Cor. 5:17)
the inward man (II Cor. 4:16)
2. Soul - Not the same as the spirit (Heb. 4:12)
Consists of the mind, will and emotions
Part of man that reasons and thinks
Not changed at new birth, but in the process of being "saved" (Jam. 1:21)
- satan fights to control the soul
3. Body - The temple, house or tent that you live in (I Cor. 6:19)
Part of man that contacts the physical world
Called the flesh (Rom. 6:19)
Christians controlled by it are said to be carnal or "body ruled" (I Cor. 3:1-3)
Will be saved at the Second coming (Rom. 8:23)
Body will manifest the power that controls the soul

b. God's Will for Each Part

1. New birth for the Spirit (John 3:6-7)
2. Renewing of the Mind for the soul (Rom. 12:2)
3. Subjection and Presentation of the body (I Cor. 9:27; Rom. 12:1)
All Three are commanded by God, but God will not force us to do them if we do not choose to.

II. Sin (Rom. 3:23)

a. What is Sin?

1. Sin is not:
 - a) An accident - it is an act of responsible disobedience (Rom 5:19)
 - b) An Unreality - it is real and is offensive to God (Psa. 51:4)
 - c) A Necessity - not something we cannot stop or overcome (I John 2:1)
The sinner is worthy of blame and is held responsible guilty for the sin.
2. Sin is:
 - a) Rebellion against God and His Will
Lack of conformity to the revealed will of God
 - b) Incorrect desires - wanting something that is wrong or improper (Matt. 5:27-30)
 - c) Not doing what God says to do/doing what God says not to do
 - d) A free will choice to disobey God
3. Definitions:
 - a) Sin - to miss the mark and so not to share in the prize, to commit offenses, to err.
 - b) Transgression = rebellion against rightful authority
 - c) Trespass = to side-step, fall to one side, to deviate
 - d) Iniquity = being perverted; moral crookedness, warped morality; injustice, wickedness.

b. Who is sin against? - (Psa 51:4)

Sin is against God primarily

Outward action is always the result of inward attitude

You cannot sin against man without sinning against God first.

- c. What are the Results of Sin?
 - 1. Brings into slavery (Rom. 6:13,16)
Yielding to sin puts you in spiritual bondage
 - 2. Alienation from God (Psa. 66:18)
Fellowship with God is broken (Gen. 3:24)
Sin becomes lord in life in place of Jesus
 - 3. Deterioration morally and socially (John 8:34)
Without a quick repentance, you will harden your heart
towards God and your relations with others will suffer. (Heb. 3:10-13)
 - 4. Suffering mentally and physically
Guilt, condemnation, anxiety, sickness, etc. (Deut 28:15, Eph. 5:6)
- d. What is the Sequence of Sin? - (Jam. 1:12-15)
 - 1. Drawing away - fleshly desires along with satanic encouragement causes
you to stray from your walk with God.
 - 2. Desires - wrong thoughts and feelings build until strong
 - 3. Disobedience - strong desires give birth to sin (inward) which becomes
wrong actions (outward).
 - 4. Death - The unrepentant person starts to waste away spiritually.
- e. What is Repentance form Sin? - (Acts 17:29-31)
 - 1. decision or course of action; to regret; to think differently about something.
 - 2. Decided - Sin is recognized as evil, you abhor it and truly do not want to do it
again, the decision is made to turn from sin and to God. (Psa. 51:16-17)
 - 3. Declared - Sin is confessed to God and forgiveness is received.
 - 4. Done - Actions must show repentance (Luke 3:8)(Jam 2:20)
- f. What is Forgiveness of Sins? - (I John 1:9)
to send away, to lift off and carry away, to pardon if we confess, God will forgive and
cleanse Includes God forgetting the sin (Isa. 43:25; Jer. 31:34)
Once forgiven, we should not still feel condemned, but we can stand before God
with a clear conscience. (Heb 9:14; 10:22)

Meditation Scriptures:

(Psa. 51:4; 51:16-17; Psa. 66:18; Isa. 43:25; Rom 3:23; Rom. 6:15-16; 12:1-2; II Cor. 5:17; II Thes. 5:23;
Heb. 4:12; Jam. 1:14-15; Jam. 4:7; I John 1:9; 2:1)

Study Passages:

(John 4:23-24; Rom. 6:11-14; 6:19-23; I Cor. 3:1-3; Jam. 1:12-15; I John 2:1-2)

THE VALUE OF THE BIBLE
(II Pet. 1:20-21 - II Tim. 3:16-17)
(Watch for Three Main Points)

The Bible is a REVELATION of the mind of God, showing His thoughts, plans, desires and will.

Reveal: To divulge or disclose, make known - to bring to view, to show

Thoughts= Think Plans= Walk Desires= Talk Will=Believe

1. The NEED for a REVELATION (Isa. 55:8-11) See Prov. 1:7, 9:10 3:5,6
 - A. Man through his own logic and reason cannot figure out the thoughts and the will of God.
 - B. The lost need to see that they need salvation - also that God wants to save and how they can get saved.
 - C. The "new creation" person needs to have new principles to guide his new life. (The Bible is the Source)
 - D. Bible is given to reveal: 1) Man's need. 2) God's plan to meet that need, 3) God's will for living the righteous life (how believers should walk, talk, think and believe).

2. The NATURE of the REVELATION
 - A. Not of this world - Not meant to be logical or rational - (John 15:19)
 - B. Inspired (II Tim. 3:16) "God breathed" - Infallible - (Num 23:19)
 - Guarantees the true recording of the plan and will of God(Psa 119:89, 160, 161)

POINT #1

- The Bible does not CONTAIN the Word of God, but IS the Word of God (John 1:1, 14)
- If some is uninspired, then each person can reject anything they disagree with.
- C. Written (John 20:31)
 - More permanent and accurate than oral tradition(Get the Word into your heart)
- Assures equal access by all men
- E. Preserved - Necessary to insure that man does not significantly alter the revelation. (Deut. 4:2-12:32, Prov. 30:5,6)
- E. Proven - by attested miracle and by fulfilled prophecy
 - Word never fails (Isa. 55:11)

3. The AUTHORITY of the REVELATION

- A. Proclaimed by God - "Thus saith the Lord" (I Kings 8:56, (Psa. 111:7 - Eze. 12:25, Matt 5:18, Luke 21:33)
- B. Acknowledged by Jesus Christ (Luke 24:27,44)
- C. Carried out by the Holy Spirit (John 16:12-14)
- D. Recognized by Satan (Matt 4:1-11) (Jesus' Test)

POINT #2

- E. Supreme and final in all matters of Christian faith and practice Every Christian must make this decision (II Cor 13:1
(Isa. 40:8, Matt 5:18, Matt 24:35, I Pet. 1:25, Jos. 1:8, Deut 30:19)

4. The INTERPRETATION of the REVELATION

The Bible is NOT hard to understand for anyone

A revelation that can only be understood by the highly educated or intellectual would be unjust to the rest of mankind

When ever possible, scripture should be taken LITERALLY, anything else is figurative and should be understood as such

The Holy Spirit has been given to assist us in our interpretation and we must trust Him to fulfill His role (John 14:25-26; 16:13-14)

The Bible is 100% TRUE (John 17:17_ - if any beliefs are contrary to the bile, they should be rejected as false.

GUIDELINES TO TRUTH

1. You have AUTHORITY. (Luke 10:19)

BE TEACHABLE!

Every human being does. There are only THREE choices of authority:

a) YOU - your opinions, reasoning and interpretation

b) OTHERS - their opinions, reasoning and interpretation (books, tapes, etc. This includes satan - He is a deceiver and works with 2 tools, 1: Temptation 2: Accusation

(John 8:44)

c) THE WORD OF GOD - WHAT IS SAYS - not what you thin it means in spite of what it says.

2. To be RELIABLE, your authority must be CONSISTENT.

Real truth is ALWAYS unchangeable (Psa 119:89)

Mal. 3:6 Psa 119:105, 130, 133, 160)

3. The word of God is ALWAYS consistent.

It has no contradictions

Context must always be considered

a) Verse context - those before and after

b) considered in context of other passages dealing with the same subject

(Look at the whole picture - Gen. to Rev.)

c) Covenant context - Old Testament understood in light of the revelation of the New Testament

The mouth of two or three witnesses - ALWAYS have more than one scripture to support a doctrine.

4. God is ALWAYS consistent

a) He is consistent with His character (II Tim. 2:13, Heb. 13:8)

POINT #3

b) We should be consistent in what we believe and say about Him - in absolute agreement with what the Word says. (Matt. 18:19)

5. The Overall Plan of God is important

Examine all doctrine in light of His plan for man's redemption

A correct understanding of His plan and character will contribute to the growth of your relationship with Him. (John 8:31,32)

On MINOR points of doctrine that are not at all important, men may not always agree, BUT if the Word deals specifically with a subject, then any deviation is SIN which can result in FALSE DOCTRINE.

Meditation Scriptures:

(II Tim. 3:16-17; I Kings 8:56; Rom. 15:4; Isa 55:11; Pro. 30:5,6; Num. 23:19; II Cor. 1:20)

Study Passages: (II Pet. 1:20-21; Psa. 89:34; Num. 23:19; I Pet 1:23-25)

SAVED AND SECURE

(No other name) (Acts 4:12 / Rom. 10:13) (Whosoever shall call)
(Heb. 9:22 - No remission without shed blood)(John 3:16,17)

I. SALVATION

- A. Defined - Bible defines what God has provided
1. "Sozo" = 1) to save, keep safe and sound, rescue from danger or destruction
 - a) to heal, make well, restore to health
 - b) to deliver from danger, protect, preserve
 - c) to deliver from bondage to sin or satan
 - d) to deliver from judgement and wrath of God
 2. "Soteria" = deliverance, preservation, salvation, healing
(from enemies) (Isa. 53:5) COMPLETE WORK
 3. Broad = 1) Total deliverance for the total man - spiritually, physically, mentally, emotionally, materially
 4. Narrow = 2) Total provision for all of man's needs - spiritually, physically, mentally, emotionally, materially.
- B. Explained - Bible explains God's plan and provision
1. God's Character (II Pet. 3:9; John 3:16)
 - a. God is good - not willing that any should perish
 - b. God does not delight in punishing
 - c. God wants all to be saved and go to heaven
 2. Man's Problem
 - a. Selfishness (Isa. 53:6)
(Gone our own way) (Sin-Nature) (Adam Gen 3:6)
 - b. Rebellion (Rom. 3:23 - All have sinned)(I Sam. 15:23)
 3. Man's Penalty
- Judgement (Heb. 9:27 - Once to die, then the judgement)
 4. God's Solution
 - a. Not based on performance or works
(Tit. 3:5-7; Eph. 2:8-9)
 - b. Trust in Jesus Christ alone (Acts 4:12)
 5. Man's Responsibility
 - a. Choose to repent (Deut. 30:19; Jos. 24:15)
 - b. Impossible not to choose
- C. Experienced - Bible shows the steps of conversion
1. Convicted by the Holy Spirit (John 6:44; 16:7-8)
- Manifested of God's love (Rom. 5:8)
 2. Word is heard (Rom. 10:17)
- Results in faith in heart
 3. Repentance is made (Isa. 55:7)
- To turn around, an about face - Inner then Outer
- Not based on emotions only, but a quality decision
 4. Confession is made (Rom. 10:9-10) (Positive confession)
 5. Conversion is experienced (II Cor. 5:17) (New Creation)
- Human spirit is re-created by the Holy Spirit (John 3:6)
- Re-created spirit living within a natural body
Sins remembered no more (Isa 43:25, Psa 103:12)

6. Water Baptism (Matt.3:13-17; Col. 2:12; Mark 1:5, Acts 22:16)
 - Baptize means to immerse
 - Sign of repentance
 - Identifies with Jesus in Death, burial and resurrection
 - a) Come to Jesus and Surrender (Death)
 - b) Immersed in water (Burial)
 - c) Raised out of water into new life (Resurrection)
 - Identifying with Christ (John 17:15-16)
 - Says I am in this world but not of the world
7. Change is manifested
 - New life inside will manifest outside
(II Cor 3:18, Rom 12:2, Eh. 4:24, Col. 3:10)
8. Continuation is expected (Heb 10:35-36) Forward or Backward
 - Born to live and grow - NOT DIE No Standing Still
 - Benefits of salvation to be discovered and enjoyed
 - Born to carry new life to others, to reproduce (Acts 1:8)

II. SECURITY

- A. God's will for all
 - No father wants his children to die - Salvation
 - Birth and its results are to go on (Heb. 5:9)
- B. God's power is able (Matt 10:22)
 - Sufficient to keep (Phil. 1:6)
 - Will not change (Mal. 3:6; Heb. 13:8)
 - Earth is proof (Psa. 119:89-90)
- C. God's conditions: Come and Stay
 - Come to Him (John 6:37)
 - Stay with Him (John 15:9-10)
- D. Assurance of Salvation
 - 1) Through the witness of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:16)
 - 2) Through Scriptures (I John 5:11-13)
 - 3) Through Faith (John 1:12; 5:24;(with confession Rom.10:9-10)
 - 4) Through Trust in God's ability (II Tim. 1:12)
 - 5) Through Desire to be Obedient (I John 2:3; 3:10)
- E. Loss of salvation
 - Not by God's desire but by your turning from Him and refusing to repent and return to God
(Heb. 10:26-29; Heb. 6:4-6; Rev. 3:21; Mat. 7:21-23; Rev. 3:15-16; Heb. 12:17; Rev. 14:11)

Meditation Scriptures:

(Isa. 55:7; Isa. 53:6; Luke 13:3; John 1:12-13; John 3:16-17; Acts 2:21; 16:31; Rom. 3:10; Rom 3:23; Rom. 6:23; II Cor. 5:17; Phil. 1:6; Col. 2:13-14; I John 5:11-12)

Study Passages:

(Isa 64:6; John 10:27-29; Rom. 8:1-2; Rom. 10:9-13; Eph. 2:8-10)

PERSONAL DEVOTION
(Acts 17:10-11 / Psa. 1:13)

1. Quiet Time - Time spent alone with God for prayer and study

- Best time is usually in the morning as it prepares you spiritually to face the day.
 - Average of 30 minutes a day (1-hour prayer, 1 hour study is best)
- A. Plan for it - if it is not planned for, it will never be done.
- B. Decide on a place - Free from interruption.
- C. Determine a time - Allot enough time to do it justice.
- D. Be a doer of the plan (Jam. 1:22-26)
- E. Pray and wait before the Lord - Do not let your mind wander from Him or the objective you are seeking Him about.

2. Meditation and Confession Time (Jos. 1:8)

- Meditation = to mutter, to ponder - imagine, meditate, mutter, speak, study, talk , utter.
- Confession = to assent, acknowledge; to say the same thing
- A. Select areas to meditate and confess -Base on personal growth or an area you are seeking God about.
- B. Chose many scriptures on that subject
- C. Copy out the scriptures on index cards for carrying convenience
- D. Change into the first person where possible
- E. Make notes of any thoughts on back of card
- F. Narrow cards as God leads
- G. Use throughout the day (some can be done in conjunction with quiet time)

3. Study Time (Acts 17:11)

- A. Plan for it, decide on place, determine a time, and do it - some time each day is best.
- B. Select scriptures or subjects - Weekly teachings can guide study subjects.
- C. Choose some basic method - as study question sheet
- D. Establish a plan to file and keep all studies

Meditation Scriptures:

(Jos. 1:8; Psa. 1:13; Psa 77:11-12; Psa 119:46-48; Psa 119:97-99; Pro. 7:1-3; Acts 17:10-11;)

Study Passages:

Deut. 6:6-9; Psa. 1:13; Psa. 119:15-16; 119:23-24; 119:148)

THE ABUNDANT LIFE
(John 10:10 – Gal 3:10-14)

- I. **The Creation – God's will and Plan** – Gen 1:26-31, Gen 2:8-9, Gen 2:15-25
- a. No Sickness – Gen 1:31
 - All good
 - Body created to stay well
 - b. All Needs Provided
 - Food – Gen 1:29, Gen 2:16-17
 - Companionship – Gen 2:18:23
 - c. Dominion over Creation – Gen 1:26-28
 - God's desire was for man to stay that way, but man chose to rebel
- II. **The Curse – Result of Man's Sin and Disobedience** – Gen 3:16-19 – Duet 28:15-68
- a. Sickness
 - Physical pain and trouble Gen. 3:16
 - Diseases, fever, inflammation Deut. 28:21-22
 - Boils, tumors, mental illness, blindness Deut. 28: 27-29, 34-35
 - Plagues, epidemics, any other sicknesses Deut. 28:59-62
 - b. Poverty
 - Difficult life of hard work just to get by Gen. 3:17-19
 - Curse on crops, livestock, all you do Deut. 28:16-19
 - Drought, dust storms, sandstorms until all is ruined Deut 28:22-24
 - No success, only oppressed and robbed Deut. 28:29,33
 - Foreigners will overtake and dominate you Deut. 28:34-44
 - Hunger, nakedness and dire poverty Deut. 28:48
 - c. Defeat and Captivity
 - Victory to enemies, defeat for you Deut. 28:25-26
 - Crops, livestock and children will be taken away Deut. 28:30-32
 - Taken captive to other nations Deut. 28:36,37
 - Become cannibals through desperation Deut 28:47-57
 - Become refugees and captives Deut 28:63-68
- III. **The Redemption – Restoration of Believer to Original Privileges** Gal 3:13
- a. Health and Healing
 - 1. God's Plan
 - Exo 15:26 – “the Lord your Physician”
 - Isa. 53:4,5 “infirmities and diseases we are healed”
 - 2. Fulfilled by Jesus
 - Matt 8:17 “to fulfill what was spoken”
 - Acts 10:38 “healed all under the devils power”
 - I Pet 2;24 “you have been healed” accomplished fact
 - 3. Promised to the Church
 - Mark 16:17-18
 - Jam. 5:14-16
 - b. Abundant Supply and Success
 - 1. God's Plan
 - Gen 22:14 “The Lord who Provides”
 - Josh. 1:8, Psa. 1:1-3 “prosperity and success to the faithful and obedient
 - Mal. 3:10, Pro. 39-10 “to tither's – so much there is no more room to receive
 - Pro. 10:22, Deut. 8:15-18 “God's blessing brings wealth
 - 2. Fulfilled by Jesus
 - II Cor. 8:8-9 “Jesus became poor that we might become rich
 - Rom. 8:32 “God giving His son proves He will give us all things
 - 3. Promised to the Church

- Phil. 4:19 "God will supply all our needs"
- Matt. 6:31-33 < Luke 12:29-31 "all these things" food, clothes, needs
- Luke 6:38 "those who give will receive a return"
- II Cor 9:6-8 "the cheerful giver gets more than he needs, so he can continue to give"
- 4. Warning to Heed
 - I Tim 6:9-10 "wrong desires and motive can ruin your spiritual walk"
 - I Tim. 6:17-19 "rich should keep attitudes right and give to those in need"
- c. Protection and Victory
 1. God's Plan
 - Psa. 23:1-6 "the Lord my Shepherd" - rod and staff
 - Exo. 17:15-16 "the Lord my Banner" - standard carried
 - Psa. 91:1-16 "Stay close to God and He will protect you from all harm"
 - Psa. 34:7 "Angels to protect"
 2. Fulfilled by Jesus
 - I John 3:8 "destroyed the devil's work"
 - Col. 2:15 "defeated evil spiritual powers on the Cross"
 3. Promised to the Church
 - Luke 10:19 "nothing will hurt you"
 - II Thes. 3:3 "God will protect us from the evil one"
 - John 17:15 "Answer to Jesus' prayer"
 - II Tim 4:17-10 "Rescued from all evil"

IV Receiving the Abundant Life

not overnight, comes with growth and mind renewal – start where you are now and build

- a. Find the Promises – get into the Word yourself
- b. Make them YOURS – meditation and confession
- c. Fulfill any Conditions – found in context of promise
- d. Claim the Promise by Faith – Pray, believe you receive, act and stand
- e. Stand in Patience – "you will receive" - matt. 21:22

Meditation Scriptures:

John 10:10 – Jam 5:14-15 – Psa 103:2-3 – Luke 6:38 – Phil 4:19 – II Thes. 3:3 – Psa 91:1-3

Study Passages:

Exo. 15:26 – II cor. 9:6-8 – Psa. 91:1-7 – Duet. 28:1-14 – Mark 16:17-18 – Psa. 3 1-8

THE LIFE OF FAITH

Heb. 11:1 – Rom. 1:16-17

I. What Faith is

- a. Heb. 11:1
 - Being Sure
 - Hope
 - Being Certain
 - Unseen
- b. Believe God and what He has said in His Word – Trusting the known Will of God.
 - Looks away from the human situation and confided in an unseen God
 - Unbelief is sin Heb. 3:12-18
- c. The one thing that please God – Heb. 11:5-6

II. How Faith Comes

- a. Gift give by God (Eph. 2:8-9) to all believers - (Rom 12:3)
- b. Through hearing he Word - (Rom 10:17)
- c. Our Choice to believe – (Rom. 10:14-21)
- d. Faith cannot be exercised beyond your knowledge of the Word.

III. How Faith Works

- a. By love – (Gal 5:6) – True faith cannot be used only for self
- b. Faith is acting on what you believe – (Jam 2:14-24)
 - No action means either not faith or you allowed fear in
 - Not faith plus action, but faith that acts – spontaneous product
 - Acts on the Word with no visible evidence to support or encourage
- c. Faith keeps its eyes on God rather that on the natural situation
 - II Cor. 4:18 – Rom 4:17-22 – John 20”24-29

IV How Faith Produces – (Mark 11:22-24 – “The faith of God”)

- Once the Word is heard:
- a. Believes – (Mark 9:23)
 - b. Confesses – (Rom 10:5-10)
 - c. Has no doubts – (Jam. 1:6-8 – John 5:14-15)
 - d. Receives “Faith’s Answer Time” (F.A.T.) when you pray – “you have received”
 - e. Manifests “Fact Manifestation Time” (F.M.T.) – “it will be” – (Heb. 10:36 – 6:11-12)

V. Faith Truths

- a. All believers have faith – (Rom 12:3 - II Cor. 4:13 – II Pet. 1:1)
- b. Faith does not respect to human means to reach its end goal – (Gal. 3:1-5)
- c. Faith will often contradict human reasoning and physical evidence.
- d. The only evidence faith requires is a promise from the Word.
- e. Faith is NOT positive thinking, mental agreement or imagination – (Eph 3:20-21)
- f. Faith never has an option or back-up plan “just in case”

Meditation Scriptures:

Mark 11:22-24 – Heb 11:1, 11:6 – Mark 9:23 – Heb. 12:2 – II Cor. 4:13 – I John 5:4

Study Passages:

Mark 11:22-25 – Jam. 2:14-17 – Rom 4:18-22 – Gal 3:6-9

THE RENEWED MIND

Rom 12:1,2 – II Cor. 10:3-5

- Salvation is instant by renewal of the mind is progressive

I. The COMMAND for Mind Renewal

- a. To live holy lives, we must do something with our minds – (I Pet. 1:13-15)
- b. God command us to renew our minds – (Rom 12:2)
 - conform – obedient, compliant, adapting to fit in
 - transformed – major change in form, nature or function
 - renewing – return to original state by replacing damaged and decaying parts

II. The NEED for Mind Renewal

- a. Our minds have spent years under satan’s control – (Eph. 2:1-3)
 - Must renovate and rewire
 - Wrong fundamentals become wrong conclusions
- b. To receive spiritual truths, we must have spiritual understanding – (I Cor. 2:12-16)
 - “without the Spirit (v.14) – “soulish, sensual”
 - Requires a change in our thought, attitudes, emotions, desires, etc.
- c. A double-minded Christian will always be unstable – (Jam. 1:6-8)
 - “two souled”
 - Must become single-minded, with a mind set on God and the Word
- d. The flesh-controlled mind is hostile towards and displeasing to God
 - Rom 8:5-8\
 - Can be Christians, but fleshy – (I Cor. 3:1-3)
- e. The unrenewed mind can be deceive by wrong philosophies based on human traditions and worldly principles – (Col. 2:8)
 - Contributes to demonic control or deception

III. The PROCESS of Mind Renewal

- a. Recognize the need and repent – change thoughts and desires to obey the Word
- b. Humbly receive the Word of God – (Jam. 1;21-22)
 - Through meditation – (Psa. 1:1-3_
 - Through anointed ministries – (Eph. 4:11-13)
- c. Test your thoughts – reject those that are not from God – (II Cor. 10:4-5)
 - Steps in process to defeat – thought – reasonings – strongholds
- d. Obey the Word in your thought life – (Phil 4:8)
 - If it does not fit in with any of these then reject it

IV. The RESULT of Mind Renewal

- a. Ability to endure hardships of “the race” – (Heb. 12:1-3)
 - Will not grow weary or exhausted, will not lose heart or faint in mind, but will be victorious
- b. A life that brings glory to God – (Eph. 4:22-24)
 - Old life will be put off and new life put on
- c. The abundant Life will be yours – (III John 2)
 - Health and success depend on mind renewal
- d. Perfect peace – (Isa 26:3)
 - The mind held steadfast on God and His Word will be at peace

Meditation Scriptures:

II Cor. 10:4-5 – I Pet. 1;13-14 – Isa. 26:3 – Phil 4:8 – Jam 1:7-8 – Rom 8:6-8 – Eph. 4:17-18

Study Passages: Phil 4:8-9 – Col 2:6-8 – II cor. 10:4-5 – Rom 8:5-8