## **The Mind - Good Spirits**

## **2 Timothy 1:7**

Introduction - Gnosticism is reviving.

Mind Control - Win's books - #12 & #25. In fact, as Pastor Win said: the battlefield is in the mind. So, it is critical for believers to regain control over their minds. And that is why, restoring the soul is so important.

In order for the devil to control everyone; he has to achieve a certain goal.

Revelation 17: 13 - These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.

Through his many plans and purposes, he has almost reached his objective; mostly due to the education system.

And when they certify the insane as sane; while born-again believers are labelled as crazy; cheer up, because Our Lord's coming is imminent.

What is God's perspective?

Matthew 22: 34 to 40 - But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together. Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

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- 1) the mind as a faculty of understanding, feeling, desiring 2) understanding
- 3) mind, i.e. spirit, way of thinking and feeling 4) thoughts, good or bad

Romans 12: 1 & 2 - I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto

God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

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- 1) the mind, comprising alike the faculties of perceiving and understanding and those of feeling, judging, determining
  - 1a) the intellectual faculty, the understanding
  - 1b) reason in the narrower sense, as the capacity for spiritual truth, the higher powers of the soul, the faculty of perceiving divine things, of recognising goodness and of hating evil
  - 1c) the power of considering and judging soberly, calmly and impartially
- 2) a particular mode of thinking and judging, i.e thoughts, feelings, purposes, desires

As we travel along this journey of faith; what do we do?

Leviticus 24: 12 - And they put him in ward, that the mind of the LORD might be shewed them.

This is done by Bible study, prayer and fasting, and by the leading of the Holy Spirit.

And when God reveals His Will to us; we then can proceed.

Numbers 16: 28 - And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me to do all these works; for I have not done them of mine own mind.

What advice was given to Solomon at the beginning of his reign.

1 Chronicles 28: 9 - And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a <u>perfect heart</u> and with a <u>willing mind</u>: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.

And if Solomon had been like Ruth, the history of Israel would have been a lot better.

Ruth 1: 18 - When she saw that she was <u>stedfastly minded</u> to go with her, then she left speaking unto her.

What should our attitude be when we are on the Lord's business?

Nehemiah 4: 6 - So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a <u>mind to work</u>.

Other examples in Bible: 2 Samuel 17:8 - For, said Hushai, thou knowest thy father and his men, that they be mighty men, and they be <u>chafed</u> (enraged) in their minds, as a bear robbed of her whelps in the field: and thy father is a man of war, and will not lodge with the people.

- Isaiah 26:3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose <u>mind is stayed on</u> thee: because he trusteth in thee.
- Mark 5:15 And they come to Jesus, and see him that was possessed with the devil, and had the legion, sitting, and clothed, and in his <u>right mind</u>: and they were afraid.
- Acts 17:11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with <u>all readiness of mind</u>, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.
- Acts 20:19 Serving the Lord with <u>all humility of mind</u>, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews:
- Romans 8:6 For to be <u>carnally minded</u> is death; but to be <u>spiritually</u> <u>minded</u> is life and peace.
- Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the <u>renewing of your mind</u>, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
- Romans 12:16 Be of the <u>same mind</u> one toward another. <u>Mind not high</u> <u>things</u>, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.
- Romans 15:5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be <u>likeminded one toward another</u> according to Christ Jesus:
- 1 Corinthians 1:10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the <u>same mind and in the same judgment</u>.
- 1 Corinthians 2:16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.
- 2 Corinthians 7:7 And not by his coming only, but by the consolation wherewith he was comforted in you, when he told us your earnest desire, your mourning, your <u>fervent mind</u> (zeal) toward me; so that I rejoiced the more.
- 2 Corinthians 8:12 For if there be first a <u>willing mind</u>, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not.
- 2 Corinthians 8:19 And not that only, but who was also chosen of the churches to travel with us with this grace, which is administered by us to the glory of the same Lord, and declaration of your <u>ready mind</u>:
- 2 Corinthians 9:2 For I know the <u>forwardness of your mind (willingness)</u>, for which I boast of you to them of Macedonia, that Achaia was ready a year ago; and your zeal hath provoked very many.
- Ephesians 4:23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;
- Philippians 2:2 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be <u>likeminded</u>, having the same

- love, being of one accord, of one mind.
- Philippians 2:3 Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.
- Philippians 4:2 I beseech Euodias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same mind in the Lord.
- Colossians 3:12-14 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, <u>humbleness of mind</u>, meekness, longsuffering; Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.
- 1 Thessalonians 5:14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, <u>comfort the feebleminded</u> (fainthearted), support the weak, be patient toward all men.
- 1 Timothy 6:17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not <u>highminded</u>, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;
- 2 Timothy 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.
- Titus 2:6 Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded.
- Hebrews 8:10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:
- 1 Peter 1:13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your <u>mind</u>, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;
- 1 Peter 4:1 Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the <u>same mind</u>: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;
- 1 Peter 5:2 Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;

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