

# The battle of the Mindset

The mindset of the natural man is at home in the world.

*The mindset of the Spirit is at home with God.*

The mindset of the natural man is content with the creation.

*The mindset of the spiritual man desires the Creator.*

The mindset of the natural man seeks meaning in the world.

*The mindset of the spiritual man seeks meaning in Christ.*

The mindset of the natural man seeks acceptance from men.

*The mindset of the spiritual man seeks acceptance from God.*

The mindset of natural man longs for comfort in the world.

*The mindset of the spiritual man has comfort in Christ.*

The mindset of the natural man desire's purpose in the world.

*The mindset of the spiritual man has the purpose of God.*

*For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace,*

Rom 8:5-6

*Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.*

Rom 12:1-2

*So then, brethren, we are under obligation, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you are living according to the flesh, you must die; but if by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds*

*of the body, you will live. For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.*

Rom 8:12-14

*Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God.*

Col 3:1-3

*For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.*

2 Cor 5:14-15

*And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified.*

Rom 8:28-30

*So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.*

Phil 2:12-13

*Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.*

2 Cor 5:17

*seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. For by these He*

*has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust. 2 Peter 1:3-4*

*If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

*1 John 1:6-9*

*See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.*

*1 John 3:1-3*

*Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behaviour; because it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay on earth; knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.....for you*

*have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, that is, through the living and enduring word of God.*

1 Peter 1:13-19, 23

Putting to death the natural mindset is painful, but the result is life and peace. For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace.

Rom 8:6

### **Where our treasurer is located, the mind also**

Do we walk daily with the Spirit of God living in us, looking for Him to direct our path, or do we live absently while we listen to His teaching, but without thought for His gracious rule to act on His instructions, and wonder why His peace continually escapes us? Or do we walk in the darkness of the world with His purpose in mind, consciously wide awake to the presence of God in us as we obediently attend to His sovereign rule and power to direct our thinking, to enable us to grow in the image of Christ, and to put into practice the word of God explained to us weekly?

*'However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him.'*

Rom 8:9

*'Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at all the revelation of Jesus Christ.'*

1 Pet 1:13

*'So this I say, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind.'*

Eph 4:17

*'And that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.'*

Eph 4:23-24