



Week 6- How to Get God's Best for Your Life: Part 2

The means of transformation: "...by the renewing of your mind."

- Renewing your mind is a continual _____ of a Romans 12:1 perspective. Colossians 3:1-4
- Renewing your mind will always involve a _____. 2 Corinthians 10:4-5
- Renewing your mind is a _____ work of the Spirit. Romans 8:5-6

Summary

You are what you ____!!!

Practical methods for "Renewing Your Mind"

1. _____ God's Word Romans 10:17 (NASB)

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the Word of Christ.

2. _____ God's Word Revelation 1:3 (NASB)

Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of the prophecy, and heed the things which are written in it; for the time is near.

3. _____ God's Word 2 Timothy 2:15 (NASB)

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the Word of truth.

A tool for Study: The “2PROAPT” Method

Read 2 Paragraphs from New Testament Book

- P-** Pray (For wisdom and discernment)
- P-** Preview (Read quickly)
- R-** Read Again (Slowly, methodically)
- O-** One more time (Underline, emphasize)
- A –** Consider Application (for everyday life)
- P-** Pray again (for strength in application)
- T-** Tell Someone (share learnings with others)

4. _____ God’s Word Psalm 119:9,11 (NASB)

How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to Your Word. Your Word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You.

5. _____ on God’s Word Joshua 1:8 (NASB)

Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

The purpose of transformation: *“To get God’s best so that you may test, by experience, that God’s will is...”*

- Good - winsome, attractive, beautiful, richly satisfying
- Pleasing - acceptable to God and well-pleasing to us
- Perfect - according to design, maximizing our fullest potential in fulfilling God’s purpose for our lives



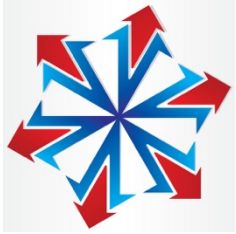
Talk It Over:

What is one baby step you need to take to renew your mind? Out of the methods discussed, which would be your weak spot to strengthen?

What specific practices have been helpful in renewing your mind?

Psalm 19:8 reads: "The commandments of the LORD are right, bringing joy to the heart. The commandments of the LORD are clear, giving insight to life." Share a personal example of when God's Word has given you insight or guidance in some life situation or decision.

What is the biggest obstacle to your spending (more) time in God's Word on a regular basis?



Live It Out- B.I.O.

B = COME "BEFORE GOD" DAILY

Meet with Him personally through prayer and His word to enjoy His presence, receive His direction, and follow His will.

I = DO LIFE "IN COMMUNITY" WEEKLY

Structure your week to personally connect in safe relationships that provide love, support, transparency, challenge, and accountability.

O = BE "ON MISSION" 24/7

Cultivate a mindset to live out Jesus' love for others through acts of sacrifice as well as service at home, work, play, and church.

COME BEFORE GOD

Have someone read Joshua 1:7-9. As you consider this passage, what stands out from this passage? What principles and practices do you see in these verses that could be helpful when it comes to renewing our minds?

DO LIFE IN COMMUNITY

Share a verse or passage of scripture that has been helpful to you in your journey following Jesus.

BE ON MISSION

How does renewing our minds help us to be, and stay, on “mission?”



Thinking Locally...

How does today's study apply to Heartland's mission to: "Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples?"

How can this study speak into the concept of your "praying, investing and inviting" to help Heartland be all that it can be for the Kingdom of God and our community?
