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STRONGHOLDS

THE STRONGHOLD OF THE MIND

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2 Corinthians 10:3-5 “For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.”

THREE TRUTHS ABOUT THE STRONGHOLD OF YOUR MIND

1. Your Greatest Battle is in Your MIND.

2 Corinthians 10:5 “We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.”

Proverbs 23:7 “For as a man thinks in his heart, so is he.”

**Your thinking determines
your living.**

**You will walk in victory in your life
when you become transformed in
your mind.**

Romans 12:2 “Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a

new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect."

Romans 8:6: "The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace."

Matthew 4:17 "From that time on Jesus began to preach, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'"

Repent (Greek 'metanoēō') means "to change your mind".

Right thinking leads to right living.

Ephesians 4:17 "So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking."

2. Your Greatest Weapon is GOD'S TRUTH.

2 Corinthians 10:4 “The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world.”

**Your greatest battle is not a
power encounter.**

**Your greatest battle is a
TRUTH encounter.**

Matthew 4 The Temptation of Jesus:
Jesus used truth to defeat the devil.

**The devil's job is to deceive the
minds of men.**

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

If possible, the devil even wants to deceive you today.

2 Corinthians 11:3 “But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ.”

The only time a lie has power is when you BELIEVE it.

Ephesians 6:14 “Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth.”

The Truth sets us free!

John 8:32 “And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”

John 8:31 “Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, ‘If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed.’”

3. Your Greatest Victory is Taking EVERY THOUGHT CAPTIVE.

2 Corinthians 10:5 “We take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.”

You will either take your thoughts captive, or your thoughts will take you captive.

Philippians 2:5 “Think as Christ Jesus thought.”

Let the mind of the Master be the master of your mind.

Hebrews 10:16 “This is the new covenant I will make with my people on that day, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds.”

Hebrews 3:1: “Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, **fix your thoughts on Jesus**, the apostle and high priest whom we confess.”

Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 10:5
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