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THINK FOR CHANGE

ROMANS 12:2 (NLT) "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."

I. WHY MANAGE YOUR MIND?

1. Thoughts determine action.

TRUTH: Your present life was formed by the dominant thoughts of your mind (Proverbs 4:23 TEV).

2. Sin is fought between your ears.

INSIGHT: Temptation is an internal issue (Romans 7:22-23).

TRUTH: Satan and your sin nature battle to control your brain every day.

3. Managing your mind is the key to a God-blessed life (Romans 8:6).

II. THE PATH TO A HEALTHY MIND

TRUTH: Your thoughts are controllable.

HOW? Feast on truth daily (John 8:32; Matthew 4:4; Psalm 119:147, 119:97, 16:7, 119:95).

III. THREE ENEMIES OF YOUR MIND

1. Your old sin nature (Romans 7:23, 8:5)

TRUTH: The greatest battles of your soul occur between your ears.

2. Satan

INSIGHT: Don't believe everything you think or every idea you have (2 Corinthians 2:11).

TRUTH: This morning, if you've not forgiven someone, you've fallen into Satan's trap.

3. World system (1 John 2:16)

To prepare for The Lord's Supper:

- 1. Feed your mind on truth every day.
- 2. Choose to no longer go the wrong way. When you're watching TV and you don't like what you see, flip the channel. Change your attention and the temptation dies.
- 3. Pray: Father, my mind is yours. Help me practice what I've learned. Help me make good choices. Forgive me in Jesus' name. I want to feed my mind with truth every day at all times and turn from destructive thoughts of hate, unforgiveness, bitterness and lust. I commit to take my thoughts captive and not be controlled by them. In Jesus' Name.