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DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER POINTS

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MIND RENOVATION
ARTIFICIAL PRISON OF THE MIND

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Pastor's Notes:

THE GATES OF THE MIND

How To Win The Battle

"If you keep your mind sufficiently open, people will throw a lot of trash into it." - unknown

What causes the battlefield of the mind?

1. **Our thought patterns are uncontrollable:** If you can't control what enters your mind, you'll become mentally defeated in many ways.
2. **There's an evil day and a devil that works on that day:** Until we can control our thought patterns we cannot win the battle.
3. **Unguarded Gates:** We must shut the gates of our mind and secure the grounds of the battle. If you do not know that your mind is control by gates, you probably have those gates left open for destructive voices and evil spirits.
4. **Mind-set isn't saved:** We must go through a daily renewal, shutting, securing to win
5. **Our minds are not transformed and regenerated:** "...be transformed by the renewing of your mind..." Romans 12:2

Did you know your soul is like a mansion and you decide who and what is allowed to come inside? Did you know that you are the sole guardian of the gates of your soul, no demon can force themselves into your life and possess you? Did you know even the Holy Spirit requires your permission to reside in you? Did you know that as a gatekeeper of your own soul, you have a responsibility to protect your life from things that would enter to destroy it?

Many of us have been conditioned to blame others or the devil for things we have allowed through our gates. But this Fasting and Prayers, is a great opportunity to guard the gates and let the process of mind renovation begin.

DEFINITION:

- **Gate: A movable framework or solid structure**, esp. one that swings on hinges, controlling entrance or exit through an opening in a fence or wall (dictionary.com)

In this devotional, you will learn about seven gates through which access is granted to our life, which scripture calls our garden.

The Seven Gates Of The Mind / Soul:

1. Guard what you look at (Keep an Eye on your Eyes)
2. Guard what you hear or listen to (Control your Ears)
3. Guard what comes from your mouth
4. Guard where you go (Order your steps)
5. Guard what your smell (Control your nose)
6. Guard whom you spend your time with
7. Guard your reactions to your feelings / emotions

The Bible speaks a lot about gates. Just as there are gatekeepers in the natural realm, God has also called us to be gatekeepers in the spiritual realm for our souls.

Let me give you an example of a gatekeeper in the natural realm. When you travel by an airplane, you can't just board the airplane. There are so many gates to go by. They check all your documents at various gates and only then can you board the plane.

These gatekeepers filter the people so that people flying on the airplane can have a safe flight. These gatekeepers act as a wall of protection.

The Bible acknowledges gatekeepers so much that they are mentioned by name.

The gatekeepers were: Shallum, Akkub, Talmon, Ahiman, and their kinsmen, Shallum being the chief (1Chronicles 9:17)

From this you can understand how much importance the Lord lays on guarding the gates. King David knew the importance of guarding the gates. David said, "I would rather be a doorkeeper(gatekeeper) in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness." (Psalm 84:10).

In ancient times, gates were significant because the strength of the gate determined the safety of a city. If the enemy stormed the gate and succeeded, the horses and chariots of war would enter into it. So, when the gate came down, the city was conquered.

Although the gates mentioned above are concerning physical gates, we must know there are spiritual gates as well. Our enemies stand at the gates awaiting entry. There are several demonic gateways the devil use to enter in and defile our soul. In ancient times, whoever controlled the gates had dominion and power in their grasp.

1 Peter 5:8 - Be sober, be vigilant; because of your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.

We have seven gates through which access is granted to our life or soul, and just as the natural gates, you must defend these spiritual gates to the mind.

We have not guarded our gates and now we have souls that are in torment, that are neglected, possessed, depressed, destroyed or sick and diseased minds. Many people's lives are evidence of gates that have been left unguarded. But the truth is, the LORD is calling us to take authority and guard the gates for our deliverance. We may have left them unguarded, and our mind and soul may be in disarray, but today is a new day and His mercies are new every morning. We can heed the call to guard the gate today, by making godly choices about what we allow into our eye gate and ear gate and what comes out of our mouth gate.

We are the most powerful agent on earth, but we render ourselves powerless to devils when we don't heed the call to guard the gates.

Essential Facts About spiritual gates:

- **Our enemies will plot and wait at our gates:** Judges 16:2 And it was told the Gazites, saying, Samson has come hither. And they compassed him in, and laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city, and were quiet all the night, saying, In the morning, when it is day, we shall kill him
- **Sin crouches at our door/ gates it desires to overpower us:** Genesis 4:7 If you do well [believing Me and doing what is acceptable and pleasing to Me], will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well [but ignore My instruction], sin crouches at your door; its desire is for you [to overpower you], but you must master it.”
- **There are gatekeepers at gates:** Joshua 20:4 And when he that doth flee unto one of those cities shall stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the ears of the elders of that city, they shall take him into the city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them.
- **There can be a breach in our gates:** Ezekiel 26:10
- **Our gates/walls can be broken down:** Proverbs 25:28 Like a city that is broken down and without walls [leaving it unprotected] Is a man who has no self-control over his spirit [and sets himself up for trouble].

Before we deal with the major gateways of the soul, we must know our battle is internal. ***Anytime we've opened the door to sin we've given our enemies a legal right into our lives (Just as Jesus stands at the door and knocks in Rev 3:20) our enemy knocks at the door, and many of us have answered.***

When you are born again, you must patiently possess your soul.

DAY 22

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 22: Tuesday, October 22nd, 2024

GATE: GUARD YOUR EYES

1. What the EYES sees the MIND knows.
2. What the eyes sees can shine light in your mind or darkness to it.

Mathew 6:22-23 – “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!”

This is important as your eye (if healthy) gives light to your entire body. Your eyes are the lamp of your body. Through this gateway, once it is defiled, a strong spirit of lust, pornography, etc. can enter. Jesus also warned us if our eyes cause us to sin, it is better to gouge the eye out rather than enter into Hell with two eyes. Job also made a covenant with his eyes to not lust after women. Our eyes are like the lens of a camera; it takes a picture and defile our soul.

- In Psalm 101:3, David states, **“I will set nothing wicked before my eyes...”**

In Jesus warning to the Laodicean church, he advised them to anoint their eyes with salve so they can see (Rev.3:18).

We must be careful what we watch on TV, our phone, etc. all of these are devices the enemy can use to defile our eye gate.

To protect our eye gates, we must be selective about what we expose ourselves to.

- Many thoughts find access to your mind through what you see.
- The television programs and videos you watch, the books and social media you read, the films you go to see can all be a springboard for positive or negative thinking.
- What you’re looking at can either give access to devils into your mind or the Holy Spirit into your mind.
- Feed your mind with good things
- By reading the Scriptures and other helpful literature and by watching films and videos that are edifying as well as enjoyable.

- Watching explicit movies and “R” rated programs; witnessing people lust after one another and having random sex partners opens the eye gates.

The Paradise of Eden was destroyed because the Eye Gates of Eve was unguarded and gave access to the devil to work:

Genesis 3:⁴Then the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. ⁵For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make *one* wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

⁷Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.

First, Eve’s eyes saw the tree was good, even though God had said it is death. Her eyes introduced death into her soul. Eve was not blind before now, so how come her eyes opened? Her eyes opened to the realm of darkness, and her sight became corrupted. God said:

¹⁶But the Lord God warned him, “You may freely eat the fruit of every tree in the garden— ¹⁷except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. If you eat its fruit, you are sure to die.”
Genesis 2:16-17.

When Adam and Eve’s eyes opened, Seeing changed her body; her body began to decay. Death entered their soul. They lost paradise and the blessings of Eden that God has given unto them. The enemy came through the Eye Gate to destroy their destiny.

Make A covenant with Your eyes.

- Job 31:1 “I have made a covenant with my eyes;
Why then should look upon a young woman?”
- Psalm 101:3 - I will set nothing wicked before my eyes;
I hate the work of those who fall away;
It shall not cling to me.

- Psalm 119:37 - Turn away my eyes from looking at worthless things,
And revive me in Your way.

If you feel or believe you've given your eyes access to things that is destructive to your mind and soul, you must make a covenant with your eyes. For some people, it might be refraining from pornography. But for some others, it might be shows on television, social media, watching any polluted videos that are shared to you, and things that diminish the light in us.

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 22: Guard Your Eyes

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, let everything that has corrupted my eyes be cleansed.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Everything that blinds me be cleansed by the Blood of Jesus.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every corruption of my sight be cleansed by the Blood of Jesus
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every corruption of my vision be cleansed by the Blood of Jesus
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Everything not making me see clearly, whether physically or spiritually, be cleansed by the Blood of Jesus.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, O Lord, remove every dross from my eyes by Your Holy fire.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Father, open my eyes to see and perceive the spiritual realm.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Father, open my eyes to see beyond the natural realm.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Grant me access into the spiritual realm.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My eyes receive divine healing and protection now in Jesus name.

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayer – Day 22: Guard Your Eyes

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I pray the eyes of my understanding will be enlightened so that I can make sound judgements as the occasion demands.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Father, I declare, You are the Father of Lights, and You dwell in unapproachable light, One thing I desire, Lord and that I seek after, it is to behold your glory. In Your light, I see.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Father, cause my eyes to see my circumstances the way You see them.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Father, I declare as I gaze at You, I am being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by Your Spirit. Light is increasing within, and darkness is dispersing.
5. (Think about a situation that you are currently facing or a loved one is facing. Ask The Lord to illuminate your eyes and cause you to see as He sees. Pray that the way out of this situation will be revealed in Jesus' name.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I make a covenant with my eyes. I will not gaze at worthless things. My eyes are pure; I will not gaze at things that do not honor God. I confess, God's eyes are too pure to behold iniquity, and so are my eyes. I refuse to gaze at worthless things that diminish the light within in Jesus name.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Jesus, O LORD, deliver my eyes. I declare every prayer I have made today has been heard, and I will see.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I believe every seed of corruption in my eyes has been removed by my faith.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, By faith, I believe that I perceive and judge things correctly.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, By faith, my eyes are full of light, and so is my body.

DAY 23

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 23: Wednesday, October 23rd, 2024

GATE: GUARD YOUR EARS

1. What the EAR hears the MIND believes
2. What we hear goes into our minds whether we like it or not.

We can prevent ourselves from hearing potentially bad things by taking suitable precautions:

- Listen to good music with wholesome lyrics.
- Don't entertain gossip. If a person starts telling you some gossip about a third person, refuse to listen.

Proverbs 20:19 – “Whoever goes about slandering (gossiping) reveals secrets; therefore, do not associate with a simple babbler.”

- Don't let negative words fill your mind with doubts and fears.
 - Watching the Television shows or movies, or some News reports late at night can unsettle and cause disillusionment in some people's minds. They then go to bed depressed and pessimistic about the future. If that is your problem, watch these things earlier or avoid it altogether.

The ear gate, as understood biblically, refers to what we allow ourselves to hear and absorb through listening. Just as what we see can influence us, so too can what we hear. It's essential to be mindful of the messages, conversations, and sounds we expose ourselves to, as they can impact our thoughts, beliefs, and actions.

Proverbs 4:20-23 advises, "My son, pay attention to what I say; turn your ear to my words. Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within your heart; for they are life to those who find them and health to one's whole body. Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it."

These verses underscore the importance of attentive listening and the impact it has on our hearts and lives.

Then He said to them, "Take heed what you hear. With the same measure you use, it will be measured to you; and to you who hear, more will be given. - Mark 4:24

In other words, carefully consider what you give audience. So, what do you hear? What do you do with what you're hearing? The things you hear or listen to will greatly impact your life. What you hear can build up or cripple your faith. Faith is built when you hear the word of God. Doubt and unbelief are also built when you listen to negative faith inhibiting words.

We are surrounded by bad news; from the moment you awaken till the time you go back to bed, most of the things you will hear especially from the media and social media will be mostly negative. So how do we combat this surge and invasion of our minds by negative things? Can I suggest that in the midst of the negative reports, deliberately and consciously give your attention to the truth. The facts are enormous, and mostly negative; but the truth is that Jesus is still Lord. Turn your attention to God especially when the negative media, and gossips on social media is contending for it. Use the word of God as a yardstick to measure what you hear, discard the lies and cling to the truth.

The Bible says, "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." The opposite is true if we listen to the lies of Satan, i.e. (worldly music, his false ministers, his accusations, etc.) Listening to the wrong thing will affect our hearing gateway. When our hearing gateway is defiled, it will make it hard for us to hear the truth of God's word. Verbal Abuse and any negative speaking can cause a blockage to this gate causing spirits of rejection and death to enter.

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 23: Guard Your Ears

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Oh Lord, by Your power, let every dullness of hearing be cleared away from my life today in Jesus' name!
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Lord, touch and anoint my ears to hear Your Voice whenever You speak to me in Jesus' mighty name!
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Father, unblock my spiritual ears, I command it to go and my ears open today in Jesus' name!
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My God, may any plug in my ears be ejected now in Jesus' name!
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, protect my ears from slander and gossips in Jesus name.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I silence every voice of accusations and iniquity in my life in Jesus name.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I rebuke every negative voice in my mind in Jesus name.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I declare my ear is delivered from every snare of darkness in Jesus name
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I refuse to submit my ears to liars and deceivers in Jesus name.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I declare my ears will hear good news in the coming month in Jesus name.

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayer – Day 23: Guard Your Ears

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My ear be opened from whatever that closed you in Jesus name
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My ear be opened from desolation into the glory of God in Jesus name
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My ear be open for the touch of deliverance and healing in Jesus name
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My ear be opened from any power of impossibility to possibility in Jesus name.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My ear be opened and operate under the heaven of grace, mercy and favor in Jesus name
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I command any spiritual and physical things that held my ear closed to break now in Jesus name.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I declare my ears are anointed to hear the voice of God
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I command any dullness in my ears and any ringing in my ears to cease now in the name of Jesus.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, any tormenting voices in my ears, I command you to be mute and perish now in Jesus name.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, my ear is blessed and under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

DAY 24

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 24: Thursday, October 24th, 2024

GATE: GUARD YOUR MOUTH

Our words hold power: we are instructed to bridle our tongue. Though it is a small member, it can cause significant damage to your life and others.

Proverbs chapter 18:21, the Bible makes us to understand that ***“Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit”***.

So, death and life are in the power of your mouth gate: you can destroy yourself with what you tell yourself. It is very important to know that your gate is a place of your boundary; it is your border, it is where you determine what comes in and what goes out. Your gate is a place where you determine your jurisdiction, it is where you determine your boundary. So, when you speak “who are you? What do you want?” you are defining your boundary; you are defending your borders.

When we talk about speaking, it is not just something that you do haphazardly, or you do anyhow; remember that what you are doing is that you are actively engaging at your gates. So, what you do at gate of your mouth determines what happens in your life. If your life and soul will prosper, it depends on what you do at your mouth gate; the negotiations you make at your mouth gates. If your life and soul will become a dumping ground, it depends on what you do at your mouth gate.

- ***Matthew chapter 12:36-37, see what Jesus said, “but I say to you, that for every idle word men speak”***

This is fearful! I say to you, that for every idle word men may speak, we have the liberty of speaking.

But Jesus said for every idle word men may speak, they will give accounts of it in the Day of Judgment. So, you are not just giving account of your works, you are giving account of your words. For every idle word men may speak, they will give account. In the verse 37, For by your words that comes out of your mouth, using your tongue, you will be justified and by your words, that comes out of your mouth gate, the negotiations you make with your mouth gate, you will also be condemned. So, what you do at your gate is not your business, it is the business of God.

Jesus said you will give accounts. The lies, and the gossips you made, whatever you manufactured with your mouth, the judgments you made, the prophecies you gave, you will give account. And that's why especially as ministers of God, parents, and believers, you must be careful of the things you say.

Don't you wonder why God was saying to the children of Isreal, He said, today I present to you life and death; choose life. He could have imposed it on them, but what did He say?

Choose life meaning that, He always gives us the power of choice. So, when you are speaking daily, He has given you the opportunity to choose and He would admonish you to choose wisely, He won't impose His will on you. With your mouth, you can give access or rebuke the devil. With that same mouth you can allow Jesus by the word of your confession to rule in your mind and soul.

Peter said to Him, You can't die, we love You, don't leave us, but Jesus had a choice to either listen to Peter whom the devil was speaking through or to cast out the devil. He said get behind Me, Satan, you are an offense to Me. So don't think your family members will not speak words that will make you stand in opposition against the will of God. You have a choice. Most times we say after all, they love me, the voice of people is the voice of God; is it in the Bible? No, it is not true, it doesn't have any scriptural reference anyway. The voice of the people is not the voice of God. The voice of God is the voice of God, the voice of the people is the voice of the people.

Ephesians chapter 4:29, ***“Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers”.***

No corrupt word, not some; remember Revelations 21, we read, which says, by no means should any abomination or lie or anything that defiles come in through your gate. Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth by jesting or by seriousness. But what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers; this is how you should man your gates: let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth. Proverbs chapter 13:3, ***“He who guards his mouth preserves his life, ‘is it not a gate that you guard? That means your mouth is a gate; it means your city is preserved’. He who opens wide is lips, ‘no restriction, no border, no jurisdiction, no boundary’ shall have destruction.”***

Proverbs 21:23, ***“Whoever guards his mouth, and tongue keeps his soul from troubles”.*** This is the word of God; whoever the person is, whether it's a child or an adult, old or young, male or female, whoever guards is mouth and tongue keeps his soul from troubles. In James chapter 3, James was admonishing us, he said; ***“The tongue, the smallest member of the body, but it has great power, it can destroy the entire body; because it is a gate.”***

If a country is to be conquered, what do they do? They go and burn the gates, destroy the wall and plunder it. The reasons many lives are plundered is because their gates are unmanned, their gates had been overturned, overrun, and taken over completely. The devil cannot do you anything until you say it, with this, you give him access; that's why it comes with thoughts. And suddenly a person feels like dying, having suicidal tendencies, these are thoughts.

MAKE A COVENANT WITH YOUR MOUTH:

What should be our covenant prayer as we fast and pray this season?

Psalm 141:3, ***“Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips”.***

This should be our prayer, keep me from speaking thoughtlessly, help me to bring every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ.

James said, bridle my tongue; if a man’s tongue can be bridled, then that man is perfect; his life will be perfect. Bridle my tongue O God, this should be our disposition.

Another disposition is in Psalm 119:14, David said; ***“Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart, be acceptable in Your sight of God.”***

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 24: Guard Your Mouth

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, my tongue is blessed and anointed in Jesus name.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I cover tongue and the words I speak with the blood of Jesus.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I command all the spiritual evil in my tongue to be destroyed, in the name of Jesus.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I paralyze and nullify the activities of negative and toxic words, in the name of Jesus.
5. I decree the exit of the following spirits from my tongue, in the name of Jesus.
 - Lying
 - Manipulation
 - Deception
 - Cursing
 - Speech perversion
 - Stammering
 - Nagging
 - Murmuring
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Let the fire of God purge my tongue from the contamination of....
(pick from the under listed), in the name of Jesus
 - evil consumption
 - demonic incision
 - evil kiss
 - evil vows
 - evil marks and label
 - herbal concoction
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Lord, deliver my tongue from the spirit of self- destruction.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I cut myself off from every spirit of tongue and venomous speech, in the name of Jesus.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I command every venomous and acidic trait in me, inherited or acquired, to depart, in the name of Jesus.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Let every vulgar spirit and poison depart from my tongue, in the name of Jesus.

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayer – Day 24: Guard Your Mouth

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I command every agent of bondage and destruction in my tongue to depart, in the name of Jesus.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Lord, repair all damages done to my life as a result of the wrong use of my tongue.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I command the evil progress of the enemies in my life to be halted, in the name of Jesus.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Lord, deliver my tongue from becoming a cemetery of evil.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I withdraw all the evil words I have uttered against my life, home, etc., from the satanic bank, in the name of Jesus.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Lord, deliver my life from the hand of evil broadcasters, in the name of Jesus.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I refuse to turn back at the edge of my miracle, in Jesus' name.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Lord, heal me of all diseases of the tongue.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I loose myself from the grip of territorial and tribal spirits, in the name of Jesus.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Let every problem in my life that originated from
 - evil tongue
 - demonic prophecy
 - witchcraft and familiar spirits curses
 - medical and clinical prophecy
 - all strange tonguesReceive divine instant solution, in the name of Jesus.

DAY 25

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 25: Friday, October 25th, 2024

GATE: GUARD YOUR HEART / EMOTIONS

- ❑ The danger of failing to manage your emotions is enormous.
- If you respond to a slight (real or imagined) negatively, it is possible not only to turn a friend into an enemy, but also to damage your own soul
- ❑ Ecclesiastes 7:9 warns us, “Do not be quickly provoked in your spirit, for anger resides in the lap of fools.”
- When you do become angry or tense, do something to distract yourself. Go for a walk or run. Listen to soothing Christian music. Do some deep breathing exercises. Relax. Cool down! Remember, an angry person can set their life on fire.
- ✓ Read Philippians 4:8 – “...think about these things.”
- ✓ Use the resources of your faith.
- ✓ And remember, prayer works for every mood.

Your heart is very central to all you do in life. That’s why **Proverbs 4:23** says, “**Above all else, guard your heart, for it affects everything you do**” (New Living Translation). The heart referred to here is not the muscular organ that pumps blood through the body, but the realm of your soul called your Emotions / Feelings; it is also your thought life, that makes up the seat of your mind.

The World English Bibles says out of your heart is the wellspring of life. In other words, your heart is the source of all life. According to Young’s Literal Translation, out of your heart are the outgoings of life. “**And keep watch over your heart with all care; so you will have life**” (Bible in Basic English).

Satan always wants to possess it by sowing evil seeds there. Your heart now becomes fertile soil for breeding sin. **Matthew 15:18-20** gives us a list of sins that proceed from the heart. “**But the things that come out of a person’s mouth come from the heart, and these defile them. For out of the heart come evil thoughts—murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander. These are what defile a person, but eating with unwashed hands does not defile them**” (New International Version).

Evil words that come out of someone’s mouth emanate from his heart and defile him. All the other sins listed, first start as evil thoughts, feelings, emotions, and defile a human being.

The heart is important to the devil just as the heart is important to God. When you worry, you expose your heart to vices of the devil, wrong thoughts, wrong emotions and wrong feelings finds a way into your heart and gives the devil a chance to operate in your life.

The thinking of believers should be quite different from the way the unbelievers think. The thoughts of the godly should be different from the thoughts of the ungodly. What the Christians pursue should be different from what the worldly pursues (Matt6:19). Just as Job guarded his heart from the misconception of his accusers, we should guard our hearts from evil because as a man thinks, so is he as far as God is concern. You may appear godly to men, but God will call you by what goes on in your hearts. Jesus called Peter “Satan” because Satan had taken over his heart at that time; this does not mean that Peter was Satan, but his heart became a place for Satan to fill. The things that go on in your heart are what have taken over you. Satan can fill the heart of man and speak like a godly person.

- We find in Acts 5:3 **“But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Spirit, and to keep back part of the price of the land?”**

If not for the Holy Spirit, Ananias would have been given the best position in the church because of his gift to the church; he sold his property but gave with wrong motive.

Beloved, the state of our hearts matters. We need to guard it diligently against satanic occupancy.

How do you guard your heart with all diligence? Don’t harbor any sinful thought that could grow to become a desire in your heart. Don’t tolerate it. **James 1:14-15** says, **“But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death” (New King James Version)**. Did you see that? Evil desire gives birth to temptation and temptation results in sin, which brings forth death. The Greek word translated desire is *epithumia* which means a longing especially for what is forbidden.

In addition, keep the Word of God in your heart. Don’t just read or study the Word and forget about it. Keep it in your heart, so that when temptation comes, you have different scriptures coming up in your heart to tell you what God says and why you must not do what the devil is telling you to do. **Psalms 119:11** says, **“I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you” (New Living Translation)**.

Furthermore, keep the gates to your heart from any sinful thing. These gates are your eyes, mouth, ears, nose, your association, and feet (activities) **(Proverbs 4:20-27)**. So, what do you do? Don’t watch (or read), hear, say, and think what will make you fall into temptation, and don’t go where you’ll be tempted.

Protect your heart. Don't let Satan enter into you.

- **“Then Satan entered into Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve disciples, and he went over to the leading priests and captains of the Temple guard to discuss the best way to betray Jesus to them” (Luke 22:3-4 New Living Translation).**

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 25: Guard Your Heart / Emotions

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Let the power in the blood of Jesus cleanse my heart, in the name of Jesus.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My heart, be fixed and trust in the Lord, in the name of Jesus.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, any idols, dwelling in my heart, receive the fire of the Holy Ghost, in the name of Jesus.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every little fox of sickness, reigning in my heart, perish now, in the name of Jesus.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Powers, manufacturing sins in my heart, lose your hold and perish now, in the name of Jesus.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Power of humility, enter into the temple of my heart, in the name of Jesus.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My heart, fight and win the battle against adversity, in the name of Jesus.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, O LORD speak for me, and avail for my sake, in the name of Jesus.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Where my heart has been broken, Blood of Jesus, heal me, in the name of Jesus.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Ancestral sins, working against my emotions, perish now by the power in the blood of Jesus.

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayer – Day 25: Guard Your Heart / Emotions

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I apply the blood of Jesus to every stubborn emotional problems in my life, in the name of Jesus.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I stand upon the word of God and I declare to myself that I am healed of any emotional traumas by the stripes of Jesus.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I bind and paralyze the activities of the strongman against my heart, in the name of Jesus.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Lord, correct any disorder in my heart, in the name of Jesus.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Father, lay your hands on my body and heal me of every emotional disorder, in the name of Jesus.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I block any diabolical access causing pressure on my heart, in the name of Jesus.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Let the anointing of the Holy Ghost fall upon me for supernatural healing, in the name of Jesus.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I command the gate of my heart to reject every evil command, in Jesus name.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I plead the Blood over my life and family in Jesus name.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every power manipulating my heart, and emotions from the coven, perish now, in Jesus name.

DAY 26

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 26: Saturday, October 26th, 2024

GATE: GUARD YOUR NOSE

How does sickness, evil thoughts or temptations, or the wrong spirit enter into a person? It must come through one of the gates. These gates are known as the eye-gate, ear-gate, mouth-gate, touch-gate (heart/emotions), nose-gate, activity-gate, and company-gate. These gates are the guardians of the mind and soul and sometimes referred to doors or windows.

Hebrews 4:12 For the Word of God is living and active *and* full of power [making it operative, energizing, and effective]. It is sharper than any two-edged sword, **penetrating as far as the division of the soul and spirit** [the completeness of a person], and of both joints and marrow [the deepest parts of our nature], **exposing and judging the very thoughts and intentions of the heart.** (AMP)

The Word of God is the ONLY source designed to strengthen our soul for defense. Wrong believing = wrong actions. Listening to the wrong voice will produce unbelief.

Death has an odor

John 11:39 Jesus said, Take away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, said unto him, Lord, **by this time he stinks**: for he has been dead four days. (NKJ)

Amos 4:10 “I sent plagues on you like the plagues I sent on Egypt long ago. I killed your young men in war and led all your horses away. **The stench of death filled the air!** But still you would not return to me,” says the LORD. (NLT)

Life has an aroma

2 Corinthians 2:15-16 For we are to God **the sweet aroma** of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. To the one, **we are an odor of death** and demise; to the other, **a fragrance that brings life.** (Berean)

Genesis 8:20-22 Then Noah built an altar to the LORD. Taking from every kind of clean animal and clean bird, He offered burnt offerings on the altar.

When the LORD smelled the pleasing aroma, He said in His heart, “Never again will I curse the ground because of man, even though every inclination of his heart is evil from his youth. And never again will I destroy all living creatures as I have done. As long as the earth

endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night shall never cease.” (Berean)

Philippians 4:18 I have all I need and more, now that I have received **your gifts** from Epaphroditus. **They are a sweet smelling aroma**, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God. (Berean)

Different expressions using the nose

1. Raising quite a stink
2. Life stinks
3. Something doesn't smell right
4. That doesn't pass the smell test
5. I have a good nose about these things
6. Nose-blind
7. Nosey
8. Sticking your nose in other people's business
9. Cut off your nose to spite your face
10. It's as plain as the nose on your face
11. Follow your nose
12. Led around by the nose
13. Turn up your nose at something or someone
14. Thumbing your nose at someone
15. Looking down your nose at someone
16. Getting your nose out of joint
17. Keeping your nose above water
18. Keep your nose clean
19. Can you smell what I'm cooking?
20. Hold your nose to the grindstone
21. No skin off my nose
22. Don't rub my nose in it
23. They did that right underneath your nose
24. Your nose is growing

In summary, these are all attitudes we allow in by the gate of the nose. Our nose gate plays a significant role in our Christian Walk. It is our responsibility as stewards of what God has given us to keep our noses turned toward God.

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 26: Guard Your Nose

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My nose gate is sanctified, in Jesus name
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, cleanse my nose gate from satanic contamination, in Jesus name
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every arrow of satanic odor around me, backfire, in the name of Jesus.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every satanic perfume around my body, wash off now, in the name of Jesus.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Inherited evil smell of my bloodline, be destroyed in the name of Jesus.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, evil manipulators of my nose following me where I go, depart from me by fire, in the name of Jesus.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every power that has programmed a smell to attract me to destruction, get out by fire, in the name of Jesus.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every curse of evil smell attacking my marriage and relationships, break by fire, in the name of Jesus.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every evil smell that I have received from friends, go back to sender, in the name of Jesus
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, any weapon the devil is using to block my nose gate, be destroyed by fire, in the name of Jesus.

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayer – Day 26: Guard Your Nose

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I command all demons associated with my nose gate to leave now, in the name of Jesus.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every evil smell preventing my blessings to be pronounced, perish by fire, in the name of Jesus,
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I release myself from the spirit that is assigned to deceive my nose senses, in the name of Jesus.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every power that has diverted my glory, be converted back to my original glory, in the name of Jesus.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My nose, from now on, you shall attract good things to me, in the name of Jesus.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My nose you will smell God's favor and blessings from now onward, in the name of Jesus
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, The hands of wickedness pointed at my nose, fall off from me, in the name of Jesus
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I refuse to be redirected from my destiny by way I smell, in Jesus name.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My helpers shall not change their mind towards me, in the name of Jesus.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, O Lord, let your favor go with me everywhere I go, in the name of Jesus.

DAY 27

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 27: Sunday, October 27th, 2024

GATE: GUARD YOUR FEET

Many wrong thoughts are triggered off by our being in the wrong place.

- ◆ IE. Story of David and Bathsheba
- ◆ David is described as walking on the roof of the king's palace in 2 Samuel 11:2-4:
- ◆ **Verse 2:** David gets up from his couch and walks on the roof of the king's palace
- ◆ **Verse 3:** David sees a beautiful woman bathing and sends messengers to inquire about her
- ◆ **Verse 4:** David learns the woman is Bathsheba, the wife of Uriah the Hittite, and takes her to be with him
- ◆ This decision by David to walk to the wrong place at the wrong time, will give the enemy an opportunity to bring a perpetual attack against the destiny of David and his entire family lineage.

If you know that attending certain parties or going to specific places will give an opportunity to put wrong thoughts in your mind – don't go!

“Mark out a straight path for your feet; stay on the safe path. Don't get sidetracked; keep your feet from following evil”- (Proverbs 4: 26-27 NLT).

What may come to mind here is Abraham's nephew, Lot, when reading this verse because **Lot messed up with all the gates, especially this last one—the feet gate!**

Genesis records that the day came when Lot and Abraham parted ways, and gracious

Abraham told him to go wherever he liked and he (Abraham) would take the leftovers.

- Lot chose to go the direction of Sodom.
- The Bible says that Lot “saw” the lush, green pastures surrounding Sodom, and “pitched his tent” facing Sodom (Gen.13:10,12 NKJV).

Even though the Bible informs us “the men of Sodom were exceedingly wicked and sinful against the Lord,” **Lot exposed his eye-gate daily to that place by turning his tent toward it!**

Then he decided to move into Sodom, and built his house in Sodom, and raised his family in Sodom.

And what was the result?

“...Lot, a righteous man...was distressed by the depraved conduct of the lawless 8 (for that righteous man, living among them day after day, was tormented in his righteous soul by the lawless deeds he saw and heard (eye-gate and ear-gate)” (2 Peter 2:7-8 NIV).

Look at the three gates mentioned in this verse—he walked, he saw, he heard.

- The sad thing is he never had to experience any of this had he controlled the gates!

You can't walk in the Spirit if you're hanging around a den of iniquity. There are certain places that a Christian has no business going lest he grieve the Spirit and open the gates to the flesh.

- The best question to ask yourself before going certain places is, “Can I take Jesus with me with a clear conscience?”

Because the truth is, we take Jesus with us everywhere we go. He lives within every believer through the Holy Spirit, whose temple we are.

Now, God knows and understands that it's not possible in this sinful world to always avoid situations and places that are grievous.

- But you CAN choose to not intentionally hang there.

Let's choose places that will bring edification and protect us from unnecessary temptation.

Do *your feet* want to go where they shouldn't go? Where have you found yourself in the past week or two that you *know* you don't belong?

Symptoms of unguarded feet:

1. Walking into trouble, danger, frustration, disappointment.
2. Hunted by the atmosphere of death
3. Arriving late at places of honor
4. Instability in career, marriage, etc.
5. Geographical confusion (been wrongly directed)
6. infectious poverty and lack / Vagabond spirit
7. Entry of such people brings sorrow into a place and their exit brings joy

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 27: Guard Your Feet

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Any dullness and stagnancy of my feet, resurrect and become perfectly healed in the name of Jesus!
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You evil altars erected against the fruitfulness of my feet be up-rooted and scatter!
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You my feet that have been rendered to retrogress and directionless, resurrect and be focused in the name of Jesus!
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You sicknesses assigned against my feet release me and perish by fire!
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You evil arrows fashioned against my feet, I command you to go back to your senders in the name of Jesus!
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You spiritual traps assigned to devour my feet, come out and perish!
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You spiritual devourers assigned to devour my feet and render it faulty, come out and perish now!
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You evil object buried to the fruitfulness of my feet, be up-rooted and scatter by fire!
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You evil personalities hiding in my feet and directing my life towards problems, come out and perish now!
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You evil snares housing enemy ambush against my feet, be destroyed now in Jesus ´ name

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayers – Day 27: Guard Your Feet

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Evil manipulators working against my feet, I terminate your contracts from source by fire! in the name of Jesus!
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You spirit of hindrance hindering the focus of my feet, release it and perish now!
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You spirit of hindrance hindering my feet from directing me to my breakthrough, release it and perish now!
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You spirit of hindrance preventing my feet from directing me to my birthright, release it and perish now!
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, organized witchcraft powers cooperating with household witchcraft against my feet, perish now in Jesus name!
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Household witchcraft working to change the directions of my feet, scatter and perish now!
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, any evil verdict and conclusion against my feet be nullified by fire!
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, any spiritual problems linked to the problems of my feet, be terminated and scatter in Jesus name!
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You evil objects being used to monitor my feet for evil be scattered and rendered invalid!
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, an evil altar performing enchantments and divinations against my feet may you catch fire now in Jesus name!

DAY 28

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 28: Monday, October 28th, 2024

GATE: GUARD YOUR COMPANY / ASSOCIATION

People are contagious: Be careful who you association with.

It is said, “A friend in need is a friend indeed.”

It is also said, “show me your friend and I will show you your character”.

And others have said, “Birds of a feather, flock together”.

Your mental health is tied to the company you keep.

◆ Proverbs 22:24-24

◆ 1 Corinthians 15:33

✓ Make sure you are the source of influence and not the other way around.

DEFINITION: Gates of Bad Company

Friendships or partnerships which have negative effects upon our attitudes, actions, or physical or spiritual well-being.

- 1. We are influenced, for better or for worse, by those with whom we associate.**
 - Proverbs 13:20 - He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.
 - 1 Corinthians 15:33 - Be not deceived: evil communications [companions] corrupt good manners.
 - Galatians 5:7-9 [The influence of bad company can be disastrous.] - Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth? This persuasion cometh not of Him that calleth you. A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.

- 2. We should associate with those by whom we will be influenced for the good.**
 - Psalm 119:63 - I am a companion of all them that fear Thee, and of them that keep Thy precepts.
 - Proverbs 2:20 - Walk in the way of good men and keep the paths of the righteous.
 - Proverbs 15:31 - The ear that heareth the reproof of life abideth among the wise.

- 3. God’s Word likens bad associations to “snares” or traps set by the Devil.**
 - Exodus 23:33 [As the children of Israel entered the Promised Land, God was specific in commanding them not to associate with the heathen living there:] They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin against Me: for if thou

serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee. [See also Numbers 33:52.]

- Exodus 34:12 - Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee.
- Deuteronomy 12:30 - Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following [unbelievers], after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou inquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? Even so will I do likewise

4. Bad associations can cause us to compromise our soul.

- Proverbs 12:26 - The righteous is more excellent than his neighbour: but the way of the wicked seduceth them.
- Proverbs 16:29 - A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good.
- Proverbs 22:24,25 Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go: 25 Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.
- Ecclesiastes 9:18b One sinner destroyeth much good.
- 1 Corinthians 5:6b Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?

5. We need to separate soul from ungodly, unfruitful associations.

- Psalm 1:1 - Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. [See also Genesis 49:6a.]
- Psalm 26:4,5 - I have not sat with vain persons, neither will I go in with dissemblers. I have hated the congregation of evil doers; and will not sit with the wicked.
- Psalm 84:10 - For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.
- Psalm 101:4,7 - A froward [stubbornly contrary, disobedient] heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked person.... 7 He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.
- Psalm 119:115 - Depart from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments of my God.

- Proverbs 1:10,15 - My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.... 15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path.
- Proverbs 9:6 Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.
- 2 Corinthians 6:14,17 - Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness? ... Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.
- Ephesians 5:11 - And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

It is not difficult to know a bad friend or a bad company. You can weigh every friendship or association with the word of God. Our devotional today clearly tells us the attitude of a bad company, the advantages of staying away from such and the punishment that a bad company will face. The word of God is complete, so if a fellow does not love the law of God, he or she is a bad company.

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 28: Guard Your Company

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Fire of God deliver me now from bad company in the name of Jesus
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every battle in my life that is raging out of envy, scatter by fire, in the name of Jesus.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Blood of Jesus close all doorway of bad association into my life, in Jesus name.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, All evil contacts working about for my sake, be cut off, in the name of Jesus..
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I vomit every satanic deposit in my life, in the name of Jesus.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every harm done against me using my pictures and other personal effects, receive divine solution now in the name of Jesus.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Wherever my name is being called for evil, Holy Ghost fire answer them, in the name of Jesus.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Evil associates militating against my success in life, wither and perish, in the name of Jesus
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, O LORD, separate from me all unprofitable friends, in the name of Jesus.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Holy Ghost fire, chase away every unfriendly friend in my life, in the name of Jesus.

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayers – Day 28: Guard Your Company

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every power that has dug a pit for me, fall into your own pit in the name of Jesus.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every evil company planning my destruction, I cut you off by the Fire of the Holy Spirit, in the name of Jesus.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Powers circulating my name for evil, your time is up, be exposed and disgraced, in the name of Jesus
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You unfriendly friends in my life, make mistakes that will expose and disgrace you, in the name of Jesus.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, You spirit of error and mistake, get out of my life now by fire in the name of Jesus.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Divine wisdom that cannot be deceived, come into my life now in the name of Jesus.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Anointing that breaks the yoke, fall upon my life now, in the name of Jesus.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Holy Spirit incubate me with your fire and give me discernment for good association, in the name of Jesus.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Every attack of envious enemies, I command you to fail woeful, in the name of Jesus.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, Let the joy of the enemy over my life be turned to sorrow, in the name of Jesus.

DAY 29-31

**MIND RENOVATION FOR SUCCESS
A PRACTICAL APPROACH**

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 29: Tuesday, October 29th, 2024

A PRACTICAL APPROACH: DELIVERANCE OF THE MIND

DAY 29: Mind Renovation

Throughout this 29 days, we've heard how much our thoughts impact our lives. While theologians, leaders, authors, self-help gurus, and CEOs may have different viewpoints about life and politics, most agree that our thoughts are incredibly important and dictate the trajectory of our lives. Take a look at some popular quotes:

- *“Whether you think you can or think you can’t, you’re right.” — Henry Ford*
- *“Believe you can and you’re halfway there.” — Teddy Roosevelt*
- *“The happiness of your life depends on the quality of your thoughts.” — Marcus Aurelius*
- *“Our thoughts make us what we are.” — Dale Carnegie*

The Apostle Paul challenges us at the beginning of **Romans 12** to *“not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of our minds.”* The Greek word for the word renewing is *anakainōsis* and it literally means **renovation**. So, according to this verse, our transformation occurs when our mind undergoes a renovation.

We know that a renovation happens when someone wants to change the appearance of their home or business. Maybe it's because something is broken or damaged or perhaps it just needs to be updated. A mind renovation is similar.

What kind of renovation does your mind need?

Maybe you're still focused on the broken and damaged thoughts you've been thinking for years. It could be that you've been playing an outdated recording in your mind that someone said to you during your childhood. Do you find yourself constantly complaining? Do you hear negative voices in your head? Is it easier for you to fixate on the things that could go wrong in your life? Are you jealous and envious of others and how their lives seem better than yours? Do you feel overwhelmed and defeated by how you view yourself?

Whether we usually have a positive outlook on life or we struggle every day with what our minds obsess over, we could all use some guidance when it comes to our thoughts. Often, we refer to unwanted thoughts as negative or bad, but what they really are is *toxic*, and to be direct demonic influence.

While many of our thoughts may not have much value, plenty do. Some are incredible thoughts that impact others for the better, while many of our thoughts are bent toward the

negative, and hence influenced by devils. So, it's true that we can't change every thought that needs changing, we can think about our thoughts and attempt to change the ones that are toxic.

Over the next three days, we will learn how to test our thoughts, capture toxic thoughts, fix our thoughts on Jesus, and make a plan to put it into practice.

Reflect - Day 29

- Think about your most common thoughts. How do they make you feel?
- In what area of your thought life do you need a renovation or deliverance?
- Write this down and take notes.

Scripture - Day 29

Romans 12:1-2 (NLT)

¹And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. ²Don'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.

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 29: Mind Renovation

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I decree that I am renewed in the spirit of my mind. (Eph. 4:23)
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I decree that I have and operate in the mind of Christ. I tap the thoughts of Christ and release the power of His thinking into my thinking, in the name of Jesus. (1 Co. 2:16; Phil. 2:5)
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I decree that I am not conformed to this world but am daily transformed by the renewing of my mind. (Rom. 12:2)
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I decree that my mind shall be filled with the light of God.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I serve the Lord with humility of mind. (Acts 20:19)
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I serve the law of God with my mind. (Rom. 7:25)
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, The helmet of salvation rests upon my head. (Eph. 3:17)
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I decree that God reveals the mystery of the gospel to my mind by revelation. (Eph. 3:3)
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My mind shall not be corrupted by the simplicity that is in Christ by the subtlety of Satan. (2 Co. 11:3)
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I take control of my mind and decree that I shall learn to master my thought life. I decree that every thought shall be taken captive and brought into the obedience of Christ. (2 Co. 10:5)

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayers – Day 29: Mind Renovation

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I decree that I am not carnal minded. I am spiritual minded and possess life and peace. (Rom. 8:6)
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I acknowledge that the carnal mind is God's enemy and cannot be subjected to His laws. Therefore, I ask God to invade my carnal mind that I may become more spiritual minded. (Rom. 8:7)
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I am spiritual minded because the Spirit of God dwells in me. (Rom. 8:9)
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I am kept in perfect peace because my mind is consistently fixed on the Lord. (Is. 26:3)
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I decree that God has given me a sound mind, power, and love. Therefore, I shall not live or operate in fear. (2 Tim. 1:7)
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I shall love the Lord with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength. (Mark 12:30)
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I receive the Word of God with readiness of mind, and I search the scriptures daily. (Acts 17:11)
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I mind not high things. (Rom. 12:16)
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I have a willing mind to support the work of God. (2 Co. 8:12)
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I shall not walk in the vanity of my mind. (Eph. 4:17)

DAY 30

**MIND RENOVATION FOR SUCCESS
A PRACTICAL APPROACH**

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 30: Wednesday, October 30th, 2024

A PRACTICAL APPROACH: DELIVERANCE OF THE MIND

DAY 30: Test Your Thoughts

We have a lot of thoughts every day. In fact, many experts believe we think somewhere between 60,000 and 80,000 thoughts per day. That averages out to 2,500 to 3,300 *per hour*. Remarkable, isn't it?

It would be great if our thoughts were all good. But many of them are negative and toxic. The good news is that we have a guide to help us *test our thoughts*. **Philippians 4:8** is a great test as to whether we should think about something. The verse tells us to think about things that are *true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, and worthy of praise*. Consider each word listed below.

True

One of the most important things to consider about our thoughts is, “*Are they true?*” Too often our thoughts are just not true. We need to focus on what is authentic, real, and lines up with God's Word.

Noble

Because we are children of God, we're in the highest of ranks! Our thoughts should be royal and regal. Not in an arrogant way but in not allowing ourselves to think in an unkind or repulsive manner.

Right

So many people want to be right—to *be the one who is never wrong*. But often, we don't allow that desire for being right to permeate our thoughts. Thinking right thoughts means allowing accuracy and appropriateness to guide us.

Pure

To be pure in heart and thought is not as difficult as it seems. It's simply choosing to think on ethical, good, upright, and honest things.

Lovely

This is a word that isn't used much, but it should be. To think lovely thoughts means to see the beautiful and stunning in life and allow our minds to think upon those things.

Admirable

To be admired is something most people want. But do we want admirable thoughts? Thoughts that are credible and distinguished and allow us to live in such a way that is commendable.

Excellent

The best of the best is what excellent is. When our thoughts are excellent, they are superb, exceptional, and fabulous. Excellent thoughts lead us to live excellent lives.

Worthy of praise

What thoughts are worthy of praise? Thoughts about God. His ways, His plans, and His creation, to name a few. It's safe to say that when our thoughts are on Him, that's a good thing.

We can test our thoughts every day. As we do this, eventually we won't have to test many of our thoughts because we will already know if they meet up to the standards in **Philippians 4:8**.

We will never be able to adjust every negative thought that approaches our awareness, but we can certainly try to free our minds from toxic thinking...*one thought at a time*.

Reflect - Day 30

- Write out Philippians 4:8 in three different Bible versions and compare them. Ask God for insight.

Scripture - Day 30

Philippians 4:8 (NLT)

⁸And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise.

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 30: Mind Renovation

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, In lowliness of mind, I esteem others better than myself. (Phil. 2:3)
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, The peace of God that passes all understanding keeps my mind and heart through Christ Jesus. (Phil. 4:7)
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I am not soon shaken in mind. (2 Th. 2:2)
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I am sober minded. (Tit. 2:6)
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I am not double-minded. (Jas. 1:8)
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I gird up the loins of my mind. (1 Pet. 1:13)
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I arm my mind for suffering with Christ. (1 Pet. 4:1)
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I demolish strongholds and cast down vain imaginations within my mind. (2 Co. 10:4, 5)
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My mind rejects all brainwashing and lies and only receives the truth as revealed by God.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I tap into the creative power of my thoughts and give birth to thoughts that produce life, abundance, and the perfect divine will of God.

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayers – Day 30: Mind Renovation

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My thoughts no longer hold me captive. I release good thoughts into fruition and kill all evil thoughts at their conception.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I fill my mind with light and truth.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I unleash the power of my mind for good, and never for evil.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I cultivate innovative and inventive thinking.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I decree and declare instantaneous elevation within my thought life. My thinking excels to new levels and dimensions. I graduate to new levels of wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and creativity.
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I think on the level that all things are possible with God. (Mark 10:27)
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My thoughts are both divinely interrupted and inspired.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, All thought processes that are demonically inspired are now being completely demolished within me.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I think beyond where I am.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I refuse to allow myself to think in conjunction with negativity, but I think positively.

DAY 31

**MIND RENOVATION FOR SUCCESS
A PRACTICAL APPROACH**

DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

DAY 31: Thursday, October 31st, 2024

A PRACTICAL APPROACH: DELIVERANCE OF THE MIND

Day 31: Capture Your Thoughts

We were created in the image of God, and we are His masterpieces. What would our lives be like if we lived like we believed that truth? The biggest reason we don't is because we have let toxic thoughts run rampant in our minds. We can't let them dictate our lives—we must choose to *capture our thoughts*.

Taking our thoughts captive will be one of the toughest battles we engage in. It's so much easier to just entertain the toxic thought. The effort comes when we engage in the battle. Even if we entertain the thought, we can still take it captive. It truly is better to do it late than never.

When the Bible says to take our thoughts captive, that means we have the power to do something about it. As Christians, the same power that raised Jesus from the dead *lives in us*. With the Holy Spirit's help, we *can* manage our thoughts.

Here's an example: let's say there's someone in your life you need to forgive. Every day, you remember what they did to you. You can't seem to let it go or heal from it. You might start to have thoughts like, *"I don't really need to forgive this person"* or *"What they did to me is unforgivable."* These are the toxic thoughts you must take captive. Recognize that it is causing you to inner turmoil. Then, choose truth from God's Word. You might even pray, *"Father, I'm choosing to rebuke this thought in the name of Jesus, instead of entertaining it. I know you have forgiven me of so much in my life. Under the covering of the superior blood of Jesus, I receive divine forgive and I extend the same forgiveness and grace to this person."*

And then you do it again and again and again until it "takes." You'll know healing is occurring when you look back on the situation and the sting of pain isn't as intense. You will see it as something that happened to you—*past tense*—not something that is happening to you—*present tense*. This we must do for every toxic thoughts and any devilish voices in our head.

Why is it important that we stop those thoughts?

- *Because they go against God's best and prevent us from living joy-filled lives.*
- *In order to spend our mental energy on things that build up instead of tear down.*
- *So they won't control our minds, which in turn control our actions.*

Every day is a new day. We get a new set of hours to live the lives that will bring glory to God and joy to our souls. We just have to recognize that and wake up with a newfound determination to be the boss of our thoughts, not the other way around.

Reflect - Day 31

- What is a recurring, toxic thought that you need to start taking captive today? Call it what it is—*a lie*.
- Find a verse that will blast that lie. When you think that thought, capture it and speak the verse aloud. Do this as often as you need.

Scripture - Day 31

2 Corinthians 10:5 (NLT)

⁵We destroy every proud obstacle that keeps people from knowing God. We capture their rebellious thoughts and teach them to obey Christ.

LOG-ON: Morning Prayers – Day 31: Mind Renovation

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I shift my paradigm into thoughts that are:
 - Good
 - Just
 - Honest
 - Pure
 - Lovely
 - Of good report
 - Virtuous
 - Praiseworthy
 - Prosperous

2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I take all limits off of my thinking and now choose to think “outside of the box”, in the name of Jesus.

3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My thoughts are now influenced by the dominion that God has given to man. (Gen. 1:26)

4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, The power of God floods and influences my thought life.

5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My mind ascends to the level of thinking on which God has created me to function.

6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My mind operates at the highest level of mental functioning and capacity, in the name of Jesus.

7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My thoughts produce visions that I incubate, nurture, and birth into tangible realities.

8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I receive healing, deliverance, and elevation within my mind.

9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I decree that, like God the Father, I think and speak and good works instantaneously manifest. (Genesis 1)

10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My mind conceives and receives:

- Miracles
- Life
- Faith
- Love
- Witty inventions (Pr. 8:12)
- Wisdom
- Knowledge
- Understanding
- Prudence
- Foresight
- Insight
- Hindsight
- Intelligence

LOG-OFF: Evening Prayers – Day 31: Mind Renovation

Spend at least 3 to 10 minutes praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I tap and release the power and mechanics of the thought process and receive full revelation from the Holy Ghost concerning it, in the name of Jesus.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I step out of the death of carnal mindedness. (Rom. 8:6).
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I am spiritual minded and possess life and peace. (Rom. 8:6)
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I release the life and peace that stems from my spiritual mind.
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I command all thoughts contrary to God's thoughts to be shifted into submission to God and instantaneously transformed by Him, in the name of Jesus. (Is. 55:11)
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I take every thought captive and bring them into the obedience of Christ, in the name of Jesus. (2 Cor. 10:6)
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, The power of God floods and influences my thought life, and my thoughts are now governed by the dominion that God has given to man. (Gen. 1:26)
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I take control and dominion over my mind and thought life.
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I master my thought life.
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I fill my mind with the light and truth of God.

FRIDAY, NOV.1

**MIND RENOVATION FOR SUCCESS
A PRACTICAL APPROACH**

THE BENEDICTION PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION PRAYER: Friday, Nov. 1st 2024

A PRACTICAL APPROACH: DELIVERANCE OF THE MIND

BENEDICTION: Fix Your Thoughts

Testing our thoughts and learning to take them captive is a huge part of the mental battle we have with our thoughts. So, when we can learn to do that as a regular practice, we will gain control over our thoughts.

But what if we chose to be more proactive with our thoughts in order to prevent reacting later on? There will still be thoughts that have to be tested and taken captive, of course. For we are not perfect. We can, however, choose to follow through with Paul's exhortation in Colossians 3:2 NIV, which says, "*Set your mind on things above, not on earthly things.*" In setting our minds on "*things above*" we will have less thoughts that need testing and being taken captive.

When we set our minds, we are striving for something and directing our mind toward a certain thing. This verse says we shouldn't set our minds on earthly things. Those "*earthly things*" usually distract us and cause our thoughts to keep us from God's best.

There are plenty of things we see every day that are out of our control. But, much of what we see can be prevented. What we put in front of our eyes is a big deal. If you feel that you have too many toxic thoughts, what is it that could be causing them? Could it be things on TV, social media, or the news? It's wise to analyze the things we are viewing daily and ask God to show us what would be a good thing to decrease or eliminate altogether.

Much like we need to watch what we put in front of our eyes, we also need to consider what is going into our ears. What we hear affects our thoughts just as much as what we see. Have you noticed what types of music, books, or podcasts possibly cause toxic thoughts in your mind? Are there things you need to include, not just remove, that will build you up and help create healthy thoughts instead?

Instead of focusing on and setting our sights on things that could cause toxic thoughts, let's be proactively mindful of what we choose to put in front of us. When we choose things that honor God and keep us pure in heart, we will have less thoughts to test and take captive.

Reflect - Benediction

- What tends to be your struggle? What you watch or what you listen to?
- List the biggest thing you need to eliminate from what you normally watch or listen to. Chances are you already know what that is. Give it up for 21 days and see what a difference you see in your thought life.
- Continue to do this for 21 days. Note the victory you've found after this. Make this practice a part of your day every day until this toxic thought no longer overpowers you.
- Now, list a second toxic thought you have and find a verse to combat that lie. Follow the same plan as you did for the first lie. Continue this practice over every toxic thought that attempts to rule over you.

Scriptures - Benediction

Colossians 3:12

¹² Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.

Hebrews 12:1-3

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. ²We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne. ³Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up.

BENEDICTION PRAYER POINTS – MIND RENOVATION

Spend 3 to 10 minutes at least praying each of these prayer points:

1. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My mind ascends to the level of thinking on which God had created me to function, in the name of Jesus.
2. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My mental faculties and capacity are now being elevated and expanded by the power of God.
3. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I think and meditate on the level of the supernatural.
4. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I think on things that are Holy Ghost inspired. (Rom. 8:5)
5. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I think heavenly thoughts. (Col. 3:1,2)
6. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I graduate to new levels and dimensions of wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and creativity as inspired by my thinking.
7. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I think anointed thoughts.
8. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, I receive the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of God into my thought life, and the eyes of my understanding are perpetually enlightened. (Eph. 1:17)
9. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My thought life is filled with the knowledge of God's will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding that I may walk worthy before Him, be fruitful in every good work, increase in the knowledge of God, and be strengthened with all might according to His glorious power. (Col. 1:9-11)
10. Under the covering of the Superior Blood of Jesus, My thoughts shall no longer be confused, but shall flow orderly and systematically.