

# Casting Down Imaginations

*The Mining Your Mind Message Continues*

*"Whatsoever Things Are Holy, Pure, and of Good Report,  
Think on These Things"*

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The scriptures teach that our mind is the battlefield, where Satan launches his attacks- to and fro. The scriptures also teach us that things that are holy and pure are the things that we should think on. In Isaiah 26:3, the bible says *"I'll keep them in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on me."* The challenge is to live a life dedicated to prayer, praise, worship and heavenly songs. In Luke 18:1, *"men ought always to pray, and not faint."* Your commitment to a life that is governed and steered by prayer will secure a peaceful life. Now let's look at some definitions.

## Definitions

- mind** 1. the human consciousness that originates in the brain and is manifested especially in thought, perception, feeling, will, memory, or imagination. 2. The principle intelligence; the spirit of consciousness regarded as an aspect of reality.
- prayer** 1. any act of communion with God, such as a confession, praise or thanksgiving. 2. any fervent request.
- faint** an abrupt, brief loss of consciousness.
- peace** 1. freedom from quarrels and disagreement; harmonious relations. 2. inner contentment; calm; serenity. 3. in a state of tranquility. 4. free from strife. 5. free from strife.
- casting** 1. to put or place, especially with haste or violence. 2. to deposit or give.
- imagination** 1. the formation of a mental image or concept of that which is not real or present. 2. the ability or tendency to form such mental images or concepts. 3. the ability to deal creatively with reality. 4. an unrealistic idea or notion; a fancy. 5. a plan or scheme.
- knowledge** familiarity, awareness or understanding gained through experience or study.
- wisdom-** involves sound judgement and the ability to apply what has been acquired mentally to the conduct of one's affairs.
- enlightenment-** the state of possessing knowledge and truth.
- thoughts** 1. a product of thinking; idea; notion. 2. a trifle; a bit

The purifying of your mind, Romans 12:1-2 says "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, that ye be transformed from the old man to the new man by the renewing of your mind- same body different person.

In Principles For Successful Living lesson, April 20, 1999, we taught to use the tools to excavate your mind.  
see lesson Mining Your Mind, April 20, 1999

## **Ephesians 4:22-24**

*That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.*

In Romans 12:1, God is asking that the impure things in our minds be excavated, dug out, brought to a refinery and purged (Tool #6 of the Mining Your Mind lesson, April 20, 1999). Having done so, the imaginations, evil and vain thoughts, bitterness and strife that was once stored in your mind has now been purged through the refinery- the way I use to think, I think that way no more. My trials and storms have come to make me strong. It has purged me (*Romans 12:14-19*).

***If your enemy is hungry feed him. If he's thirsty, give him a drink.  
For by doing so, you will harp coals of fire on his head.  
Do not be overcome by evil but overcome evil by good.***

***"Lord, I was digging for this, but I found this."***

I was digging for prosperity, but I found my poverty.

I was digging for strength, but I found weakness.

I was digging for love, but I found hate.

I was digging for acceptance, but I found rejection.

I was digging for the future, but I keep finding my past.

I was digging for a good relationship, but I found a bad relationship.

What I thought was going to be a good dig uncovered so much bad. My container is filled with things that perish (tool #5). The appraiser keeps on finding my digs worthless. Lord! Help me to understand the significance of my dig.

**Power Principle #17**

God wants to build upon what you feel is insignificant.

*(Pastor, please explain)*

Many people are not mining their minds but they are mining their imaginations.

**2 Corinthians 10:5**

*Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.*

If you cannot be truthful of who your are. You will never be able to Mine Your Mind. You'll only be able to Mine Your Imagination.

## **CLOSING PRAYER**

**F**ather, I cast down the imagination of Satan that has truly become a part of my reality. I have allowed myself to be tricked through self- denial, spirits of rejection, hurts of the past and now the imaginary world of (Your Name). But, I accept this rebuke through the teaching of your Word coming to me from my Pastor, The Shepherd of the flock, nourishing my soul. I repent and enter into a life of discipline and Christian fellowship. Satan, you have no authority! The blood of Lord Jesus Christ has defeated you on Calvary. I thank you Lord for setting me free from the demonic world and helping me deal with life in reality, but I know that all things, absolutely everything is working for my good because I am the called according to your purpose.

**Amen**

# NOTES

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**You Cannot Cast Down Imaginations Until You Learn How To Pray!**

Leader: I cannot say.... "Our"

**Response: If I am selfish**

Leader: I cannot say... "Father"

**Response: If I don't want to represent the Family**

Leader: I cannot say... "Which Art In Heaven"

**Response: If it's not my goal**

Leader: I cannot say... "Thy Kingdom Come"

**Response: If I'm not helping to build it**

Leader: I cannot say... "Thy Will Be Done"

**Response: If I won't follow**

Leader: I cannot say... "Give Us"

**Response: If I am stingy**

Leader: I cannot say... "Forgive Us"

**Response: If I am holding grudge**

Leader: I cannot say... "Lead Us"

**Response: If I won't follow**

Leader: I cannot say... "Deliver Us"

**Response: If I have scheduled "sin" this afternoon**

**Represents**

***Our Father***-Paternity

***Who Art In Heaven***- Providence

***Hallowed be thy Name***- Praise

***Thy Kingdom Come***- Plan

***Give Us This Day***- Provision

***Forgive Us***- Pardon

***Lead Us Not***- Path of Righteousness

***Deliver Us from Evil***- Protection

***Give Us***- Present

***Forgive Us***- Past

***Lead Us***- Future

**Bread- Physical**  
**Forgiveness- Mental**  
**From Evil- Carnal**