

From Passivity to Purpose: The Call to Prepare Your Mind
I Peter 1:13-19

- I. Abundant salvation provides motivation (1:3-5, 18-19)
 - A. Powerful: the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead
 - B. Merciful: His great mercy
 - C. Indestructible: imperishable, undefiled, unfading
 - D. Guaranteed: kept in heaven for you, we are guarded by God's power
 - E. Costly: the precious blood of Jesus Christ

- II. Obedient conduct is the result (1:14-18)
 - A. Do not be conformed to your former passions
 - B. Do walk in holiness
 - C. Do walk in the fear of the Lord

- III. Preparing the mind is the prerequisite (1:13, 17)
 - A. Prepare your mind for action
 - B. Be sober-minded
 - C. Set your hope

You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you. (Isaiah 26:3)

For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. (Romans 8:5-6)

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. (Romans 12:2)

“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ. (1 Corinthians 2:16)

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We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ, (2 Corinthians 10:5)

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, (Philippians 2:5)

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. (Philippians 4:8)

Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. (Colossians 3:2)

Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, (1 Peter 4:1)

Luke 24:45 Romans 6:11-13 Ephesians 4:23 Philippians 3:12-15; 4:1

Colossians 3:10, 16

Announcements:

★**DONATIONS:** Please see the August Newsletter for information about our Donation Collection for this month.

★**FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:** We are having a Fellowship Lunch THIS Sunday, August 9th, immediately following the worship service. There is a sign-up list on the table in the Entryway, please sign up to bring something for the meal. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the food and fellowship with us!

★**CEDAR POINT:** Christina Strawn is organizing a group trip to Cedar Point on Saturday, August 22nd. Group Admission tickets are \$57 each. Please contact Christina Strawn if you would like to go or if you have any questions (740)755-6512.

★*For all other announcements, please see the August Newsletter!*

Prayer for missionaries Dylan and Angie van Rensburg

1. For continued service by missions aviation after an American pilot was killed in the van Rensburg's province. One of the two aviation services has discontinued service at this time. They are dependent on these services to receive supplies.
2. That the Lord will continue to grow them closer together as a family and to Him, and that they would trust Him daily.
3. Their oldest daughter Raquel has recently returned to the States to finish her 2nd year of Bible school. Please pray for God's comfort for her and endurance that she can press on and finish well