

*"And **Be Not Conformed To This World:** but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that Good, and Acceptable, and Perfect, Will of God." Romans 12:2no2 KJV*



Life is molded by thought. If you pour yourself into the world, you'll be just like the world. Trying to do things the world's way will make you just like the world, because you'll think like the world, live like the world, and love like the world!

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the Love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that DOETH the Will of God abideth for ever." It is not so much what is put into a man that changes him, but into what he is put. "Therefore if any man be IN Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; Behold, all things are become new." We are baptized, immersed, into Christ, the Holy Spirit of Truth, when we let the "Mind (Word) of Christ" dwell in us. It is God's Word in us, our thoughts, that guides, molds, and transforms us into "new creatures IN Christ. Faith cometh by...the Word of God, but without faith it is IMPOSSIBLE to please Him." Moses spent time on Mt. Sinai with God "Who is Light," and when he came down, his face was alight! God's Word is the Mold that will conform you to the Image of Christ; of the same Mind, and you will be a Light in the world. God is more infectious than the deadliest virus or a baby's laughter! You can't help, but love and follow Christ if you know Him, but unless you know His Word, you never will!

We bend our will our mind to suit,
But it is bent by our pursuit,
Of what we're mindful shapes our day:
And destines our eternal way. -CGP

Your life is determined by your desires, and desire is determined by the focus of your thoughts. We desire what we see. It started in Eden. *"And when the woman SAW that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be DESIRED to make one wise, she TOOK of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and GAVE ALSO unto her husband with her; and he did eat."* When we find pleasure in something, that desire is shared with those around us and they will also be desirous of it. Ideas infect. Satan knows this all too well! He infects your mind to destroy your life, but God transforms your mind to give you life! You either obey YOU or God, but you will obey one or the other! Your body is *"sold under sin. Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto Righteousness?"* Thought determines focus; focus determines desire; desire determines eternal destiny!

"Looking unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of our faith; who for the Joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the Right Hand of the Throne of God. - Let this Mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: - For who hath known the Mind of the Lord, that he may instruct Him? But we have the Mind of Christ. - Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with Grace in your hearts to the Lord." Hebrews 12:2; Philippians 2:5; 1 Corinthians 2:16; Colossians 3:16 KJV