DISCIPLINE OUR THOUGHTS, PERFECT OUR WAYS

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VALOR: TAKING EVERY THOUGHT CAPTIVE

AS A MAN THINKS IN HIS HEART SO IS HE.

-- PROVERBS 27:3

Taking command over our thoughts.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING ME TODAY AS WE FIND ENCOURAGEMENT IN THE BIBLE TO HELP WITH OUR PERSONAL DISCIPLINE. I TEACH FROM THE KING JAMES VERSION, AND DEFINE KEY WORDS FROM THE HEBREW, ARAMAIC, OR GREEK. JUST TO GET A FULLER MEANING FROM THE SCRIPTURES VERSES. ENJOY, AND BE ENCOURAGED IN YOUR SPIRIT AND SOUL.

"FOR THOUGHT WE WALK IN THE FLESH, WE DO NOT WAR AFTER THE FLESH:"

—2 CORINTHIANS 10:3 -5 —KJV Bible.

SOMETIMES WE ARE FIGHTING AGAINST OUR BODY (FLESH) BUT THE FLESH WAS CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST. (See Galatians 2:20, 5:24, 6:14 and Romans 6:6). WE DO PARTICIPATE WITH THE PROCESS OF THE CROSS, BY PUTTING OFF THE WAYS OF THE FLESH, THE OLD MAN, AND BY PUTTING ON THE "NEW MAN" WHICH WAS CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS. BUT NOW OUR BATTLE IS IN OUR THOUGHTS. HOW DO WE THINK? WHAT DO WE THINK ABOUT GOD, ABOUT CHRIST, OR ABOUT OURSELF? AND, WHAT KIND OF THINGS DO WE THINK ABOUT?

THE REASON THERE ARE NATURAL WARS IS

BECAUSE THERE ARE SPIRITUAL WARS...
WAR= The Greek word 'strateuomai' = To
Serve in a military campaign. To contend
with carnal inclinations. To fight by strategy.

"FOR THE WEAPONS OF OUR WARFARE ARE NOT CARNAL, BUT MIGHTY THROUGH GOD TO THE PULLING DOWN OF STRONGHOLDS;"

OFFENSIVE WEAPONS, AND OUR WAR-FARE= 'strateia' = Military service with it's potential hardship and danger. ARE NOT CARNAL= 'sarkikos' = not of the flesh, or human empowerment. BUT MIGHTY
THROUGH GOD= 'dynatos' = Powerful, capable, strong because of GOD. TO THE PULL-ING DOWN= 'kathairesis' = Demolition, extinction, destruction of STRONGHOLDS=Fortifications, Castles, High places.

"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;"

CASTING DOWN= 'kathaireo' = Demolish, Take down, pull down, depose, to lower, destroy. IMAGINATIONS= 'Logismos' = Reasoning, forming new ideas, concepts of things not present to the senses, Evolutionary computation, an idea in flux, calculation, thought, conscience conceit. AND EVERY <u>HIGH THING</u>= 'hypsoma' = Elevated thing or place, altitude, or a <u>Barrier</u>, A High Thought stopping you from learning. THAT <u>EXHALTS ITSELF</u>= 'epairo' = To rise up in the mind. Superimposes itself, To dominate the mind. High minded, proud, arrogant, standing up against. AGAINST = 'kata' = In Opposition to, opposite to, contrary to, against reason of. THE KNOWLEDGE= 'GNOSIS' = The act of knowing, knowledge of, Science OF GOD= 'Theos' = The Supreme Divinity, Very GOD.

"AND BRINGING INTO CAPTIVITY EVERY THOUGHT TO THE OBEDIENCE OF CHRIST;"

It's up to each Creature to take captive every evil thought Against Creator GOD; The Supreme Divinity. And to bring these thoughts into Obedience to the Ascended Christ, The SON Of GOD. This is Simple Moral Reverence and Recognition of The Superior Authority Of The Supreme Divinity.

SET YOUR THOUGHTS ON THINGS ABOVE

Now we will look into some additional Verses:

RISEN WITH CHRIST: Read Colossians 3:1-4. "If then you be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sits on the right hand of God. (here the Apostle Paul is writing to Christian Believers who have identified themselves with Christ's Bodily Resurrection and Ascension to Heaven).

"Set your affections on things above, not on things of the earth. (here Affections have to do with what we exercise our mind in, what entertains our thoughts, ruling the mind.

"For you are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. (Even before our last breath, we need to see our Spiritual thought Life in Union and in a fixed position with Christ who is always in God).

"When Christ, Who is our Life, shall Appear, then shall you also appear with Him in Glory. (The purpose of focusing our Thoughts on Christ Who is our Eternal ,Spiritual 'Zoe' Life; is that when He is rendered apparent to all the world; His Glory is also Manifested in us; by resurrecting our body.

Our Spirit is Born Again, our Soul is Saved, but our Salvation is Completed in our Bodily Resurrection.

Reincarnation is a High Thought, an Imagination that is not in the Bible, but is a Stronghold in the Mind, leading many to doubt Christ's Full Body Resurrection.