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"Surrendering for Peace of Mind" - Pt. 3

"Peace of Mind: Winning the Battle for Your Mind" - Pt. 11 Romans 12:1-2 and Selected

When I Surrender Everything to God...

I will learn that He cares more about my character than He does my conduct!

> "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind." Vs. 2a

- God's great concern is not my moral perfection.
- God's great concern is not my religious perfection.
- God's great concern is my transformed character which will always result in my transformed conduct.

"As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, 'You shall be holy, for I am holy.'" 1 Peter 1:14-15

"'Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?' And He said to him, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.'" Matthew 22:36-38

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." Matthew 5:8

II. My mind will be renewed and made capable of divine discernment!

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern." Vs. 2b

"So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them." Genesis 1:27

See Genesis 3:1-7 and Isaiah 55:8-9

"For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in Heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross. And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, He has now reconciled in His body of flesh by His death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before Him." Colossians 1:19-22

III. I will discern through personal experience the fullness and magnificence of God's will!

"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." Vs. 12

- The will of God is always good!
- The will of God is supremely pleasing!
- The Will of God is absolutely perfect!

IV. I will enjoy true peace of mind as I live in the center of God's good, pleasing, and perfect will!

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