

# The Hidden Strength of the Biblical Mind

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**For as he thinks in his heart, so is he.**

– Proverbs 23:7a (MEV)

Changing the governing ideas, whether in individuals or in a group, is one of the most difficult and painful things in life. Genuine ‘conversion’ is a wrenching experience.

– Dallas Willard

The scandal of the evangelical mind is that there is no evangelical mind.”

– Mark Noll

**The \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_ spiritual life.**

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; **but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.**

– Psalm 1:1-2 (ESV)

Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus.

– Acts 4:13 (ESV)

**Three easy steps to start this week:**

Set aside time every day to read the Bible.

Pray sincerely.

Surround yourself with people who also want to grow.

**What we \_\_\_\_\_ determines our \_\_\_\_\_.**

That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither whatever they do prospers. – Psalm 1:3 (NIV)

**The \_\_\_\_\_ fruit comes from \_\_\_\_\_ food.**

That yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

– Psalm 1:3b (ESV)

**God's timing is not always immediate,  
but it is always perfect.**