

Biblical Thinking

The Bible emphasizes the importance of our thoughts:

Job 36:26

“Behold, God is exalted, and we do not know Him;
The number of His years is unsearchable.
Is it possible that you only know of him?



God is known by his attributes. They tell us what He is and who He is. God is the All-Powerful Creator of the universe. The Lord is One in three divine persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He is holy, loving, and perfect. God is trustworthy and safe. He alone is our salvation.

Isaiah 55:8-9

“For My thoughts are not your thoughts,
Nor are your ways My ways,” declares
the Lord.

“For as the heavens are higher than the
earth, My ways are higher than your
ways, and My thoughts are higher than
your thoughts.

Romans 11:33-34

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who became His counselor?

1 Corinthians 2:11

For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him?

Even so the thoughts of God no one knows except the Spirit of God.

Isaiah 11:2

And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord;

How can anyone know him without this?

2 Timothy 3:5,7,10

5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

10 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience.

Philippians 2:5-6

How can we think correctly without knowledge?

“Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:”

Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind

Philippians 4:8

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.

Truth is the key

John 16:13

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Proverbs 15:28

"The heart of the righteous ponders how to answer, but the mouth of the wicked pours out evil things."

2 Timothy 2:7

Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.

2 Corinthians 10:5

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;



Thinking biblically involves applying biblical principles to all aspects of life, helping individuals navigate cultural, ethical, and personal challenges through the lens of the Scripture



By changing the way we think, we open ourselves to profound growth and genuine reflection of His character, which aligns with developing and becoming the “express image” (Hebrews 1:3a) of Christ, in the way that we think.

Ephesians 4:23

“To be made new in the attitude of your minds.”

James 3:10

Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be.”

Proverbs 14:12

There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

If we allow our emotions and feelings to control our thinking, then we will always arrive at a poor destination.



Satan knows that if he can keep us confused and ignorant concerning the renewing of our minds then we'll continue to depend on our own thinking and feelings, and thus be guaranteed to be "conformed to this world".



Our predominant thoughts influence our behavior and attitude, and further control our actions and reactions.

Galatians 5:18

“But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.”



When the Spirit leads us, we are freed from the constraints of the law. The Holy Spirit enables us to live in a way that fulfills God's righteous requirements, not through our own efforts but through His power and guidance.

1 Peter 1:13

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Revelation 21:7

Overcome:

“to get the better of in a struggle or conflict; to conquer, defeat or prevail over; to successfully deal with or gain control of; or to gain the superiority against or over consistently”



By living right, doing right, and thinking right, over time we literally become more likely to continue to respond in a positive way.

However, if we allow emotions, anger, and lust to have their way over and over, then the pathways that we form tend to reinforce those responses in us habitually.



Literally we are becoming the person we think, and our thinking creates who we are.

It is therefore imperative that we direct our thinking in such a way that it honors God and aligns with His purposes.

Philippians 2:5

“think the same way that Christ Jesus thought.”

Romans 12:2

“Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world; let God transform you, changing the way you think.”



The Bible teaches us that we are to direct our thinking toward those things that honor God and are good for us.

Romans 8:6

“For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.”

Isaiah 1:18

“Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD.”

This invitation to reason is foundational, reminding us that the Creator desires us to use our cognitive abilities in conjunction with faith and obedience.

Proverbs 1:7

“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline”.

This verse highlights that genuine insight has its source in reverence for God and aligns our minds with His truth.

1 Thessalonians 5:21

Rather than endorsing blind acceptance, Scripture emphasizes discernment and examination. Paul directs believers to “test all things. Hold fast to what is good,” holding onto only those elements that align with truth.

Acts 17:11

Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.

Isaiah 28:13

But the word of the Lord was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken.

Isaiah 26:3

“You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.”

Biblical thinking starts with peace of mind.

John 14:27

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.” —

Romans 8:6“The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace.” —

Proverbs 4:23

“Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.”

2 Corinthians 10:5

“We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.”

