

# PHILADELPHIA CHURCH

Freedom and The Invisible War February 11, 2018 Pastor Derek Forseth

# 2ND CORINTHIANS 3:17

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

#### 2ND CORINTHIANS 10:3-5

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. 4 The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. 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.

## DEFINITION

Pretense - attempt to make something that is not the case appear true.

#### **LUKE 6:45**

A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

### EXAMPLES OF MINDSETS THAT ARE STRONGHOLDS

Resentment

Guilt

Worry

Insecurity

Anxiety

Hatred

Fear

# PHILIPPIANS 4:8

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

#### **EPHESIANS 4:17-24**

17 So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. 18 They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. 19 Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed.

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20 That, however, is not the way of life you learned 21 when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. 22 You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; 23 to be made new in the attitude of your minds; 24 and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

## HOW TO WIN THE INVISIBLE WAR:

- 1- Read His truth
- 2- Engage in prayer
- 3- Stay in fellowship
- 4- Don't believe everything you think or hear
- 5- Guard your mind (garbage in garbage out)

# PROVERBS 15:14

The discerning heart seeks knowledge, but the mouth of a fool feeds on folly.

## **PSALM 101:3**

I will not look with approval on anything that is vile. I hate what faithless people do; I will have no part in it.

#### PHILIPPIANS 4:6-8

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

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