

“THINK GREAT THOUGHTS”

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Philippians 4:8

If anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

TWO PRINCIPLES

1. YOU BECOME _____.

No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes or grapes from briars. Good people bring good things out of the good stored up in their heart, and evil people bring evil things out of the evil stored up in their heart. For out of the overflow of the heart, the mouth speaks.

Luke 6:43-45

Research has shown that one's thought life influences every aspect of one's being. Kind people are simply the type of people who habitually tend to think kind thoughts. Angry people are simply the kind of people who habitually tend to think thoughts that breed resentment and hostility.

Dr. Archibald Hart

Do not be conformed to the pattern of this world but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Romans 12:2 (NLT)

2. YOU THINK ABOUT _____.

Those who live according to the sinful nature have their MINDS set on what that nature desires; the mind controlled by the sinful nature is death...

Romans 8:5-6

...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.

Philippians 4:8

HOMEWORK:

First, _____.

ASK:

Be careful how you think; your life is shaped by your thoughts.

Proverbs 4:23 (GNT)

Second, _____.

ASK:

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2:5 (NRSV)