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Your Mindset

What is your mind set on? I'm not sure what you're asking me. **What do you allow yourself to think?** I'm guessing that the best answer isn't, "I allow myself to think whatever comes into my mind." **Is that the truth?** That is very close to the truth. **What is the complete and whole truth?** I don't guard my thoughts very well. **Why is that a problem?** My thoughts will become words. My words will become deeds. My thoughts and words and deeds will add up to the life I will live. **That's correct.**

What kind of life do you want to live? I want to live a true life that is honorable, just and pure. I want to live a life that is commendable and excellent. I want to live a life that is praiseworthy. I want to live a life that is pleasing to you. I want to put into practice all that I have learned and received and heard and seen from you. I want to live a life that is filled with your peace. **You are describing a beautiful life.** Yes, I am. This is the life I want to live. **That is very good.**

How will you ever be able to live the life that you have described? That is a good question. I can't live this kind of life without your help. Only you can make me able to live this kind of life. **That's true. Have I given you anything that will make you able to live this kind of life?** Yes, you have given me your Holy Spirit. **What else?** You have given me your word. **That's right. How will my Holy Spirit and my word make you able to live the kind of life that you have described?** Your word will change my heart. Your word will transform my mind. Your word will guide my life. Your Holy Spirit will use your word to fight in me, with me, and for me. Your Holy Spirit will apply your word to my life. Your Holy Spirit will make me able to put into practice all that I have learned and received and heard and seen from you. Your Holy Spirit and your word will make me able to live the life that you are calling me to live. Your Holy Spirit and your word will make me able to experience your peace as I know and do your will. **That's right. That will be every good.**

Lord, thank you for your word. It has been my joy to meditate on and memorize your word. Your word has made me able to think your thoughts. Your word is changing my heart, transforming my mind, and guiding my life. Help me to put your word in practice. Amen

Discipleship*Put Into Practice*

Finally, brothers, 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. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

NIV

Philippians 4:8-9

Discipleship*Practice These Things*

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. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

ESV

Philippians 4:8-9

Discipleship*Putting Into Practice*

And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from me—everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you.

NLT

Philippians 4:8-9

Discipleship*These Do*

Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things. The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

NKJV

Philippians 4:8-9

Discipleship*Doing The Things*

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

NRSV

Philippians 4:8-9

Discipleship*Put Into Practice*

Summing it all up, friends, I'd say you'll do best by filling your minds and meditating on things true, noble, reputable, authentic, compelling, gracious—the best, not the worst; the beautiful, not the ugly; things to praise, not things to curse. Put into practice what you learned from me, what you heard and saw and realized. Do that, and God, who makes everything work together, will work you into his most excellent harmonies.

MSG

Philippians 4:8-9

Discipleship*Practice What You Have Learned*

For the rest, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is worthy of reverence and is honorable and seemly, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely and lovable, whatever is kind and winsome and gracious, if there is any virtue and excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think on and weigh and take account of these things [fix your minds on them]. Practice what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and model your way of living on it, and the God of peace (of untroubled, undisturbed well-being) will be with you.

AMP

Philippians 4:8-9

Discipleship*Putting Into Practice*

And now, brothers, as I close this letter, let me say this one more thing: Fix your thoughts on what is true and good and right. Think about things that are pure and lovely, and dwell on the fine, good things in others. Think about all you can praise God for and be glad about. Keep putting into practice all you learned from me and saw me doing, and the God of peace will be with you.

TLB

Philippians 4:8-9

Discipleship*Practice These Things*

Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things. The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

NASB

Philippians 4:8-9

Discipleship*Do What You Have Learned*

Brothers and sisters, think about the things that are good and worthy of praise. Think about the things that are true and honorable and right and pure and beautiful and respected. Do what you learned and received from me, what I told you, and what you saw me do. And the God who gives peace will be with you.

NCV

Philippians 4:8-9

Practice These Things

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Discipleship – Philippians 4:7-8

In Context: Read *Philippians 4*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God’s Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture: ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

Lord, thank you for your word. It has been my joy to meditate on and memorize your word. Your word has made me able to think your thoughts. Your word is changing my heart, transforming my mind, and guiding my life. Help me to put your word in practice. Amen

What It Means: ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

How are you placing a guard over what you allow your mind to think?

How will what you allow yourself to think guide the course of your life?

When have you replaced unhealthy thoughts with those that are healthy?

How has memorizing and meditating on God’s word given you good and healthy thoughts to think?

How has the Lord used His word to change your heart, transform your mind and guide your life?

How are you putting into practice what you have learned, received, heard and seen from the Lord?

How has practicing what you have learned, received, heard and seen from the Lord given you peace?

Living It Out: ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Put into practice all that you have learned, received, heard and seen from the Lord so you can live in His peace.

Seeing It Happen: ***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that you will live in peace as you practice what you have learned, received, heard and seen from the Lord.

Get Ready To Share: ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how you have been experiencing God’s peace in your life.

Close With Prayer: ***Quiet Yourself Before The Lord***

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you put into practice what you have learned, received, heard and seen from the Lord.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will put into practice what I have learned, received, heard and seen from you, so I can live in your peace.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, what from all I have learned, received, heard and seen from you, can I put into practice today?
