

Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things? Mark 2:8 (NIV)

Your Thoughts

How are you guarding the thoughts that you allow your mind to think? I'm not sure what you mean. I think thoughts that come into my mind. Is your question suggesting that I can control the thoughts of my mind? Are you implying that I am not powerless to think about every thought that enters my mind? Do I have the ability to guard the thoughts that I think? **What do you think?** At one time, I was powerless to control the thoughts of my mind. I simply kept on thinking whatever thought came into my mind. **That's not good.** No, it is not. **Why is that?** My thoughts will become words. My words will become deeds. My thoughts and words and deeds will become the sum total of the life I will live. **So, at one time, you had very little control over the life you would live. You were subject to whatever thoughts came into your mind.** That's true.

What has happened to you? You have been given me new thoughts to think, words to speak and deeds to do. **How so?** As I have been meeting with you in your word you have been changing my heart and transforming my mind. Your word has been protecting my mind. Your word has been changing me from the inside out. Day by day, you have been strengthening my heart and mind so that I can think thoughts that are pleasing to you. You have been strengthening my heart and mind so I can reject thoughts that are displeasing to you. **So, you are growing in your ability to guard the thoughts of your mind.** Yes, that's true.

Is my work in you complete? How so? **Do you only think thoughts, speak words and do deeds that are pleasing to me? Are you fully living the life that I have called you to live?** No, your work is not finished in me. I still think thoughts, speak words and do deeds that are not pleasing to you. I am not yet fully living the life that you have called me to live. **Are you discouraged? Do you want to quit? Are you tempted to give up?** No, I am not discouraged. I do not want to quit. I am not tempted to give up. Just the opposite is true. **How so?** I am encouraged because you are changing me moment by moment and day by day. I am the work of your hands. You are molding and shaping my life. Every day I am thinking more of your thoughts, saying more of your words and doing more of your deeds. I am more fully living the life you have called me to live. I welcome you to continue your work in me. **That's good. I will keep on changing your thoughts, words and deeds as you love, follow and serve me.**

Lord, I have thought what I would rather not think. My thoughts have led me to say what I wish I had not said. My thoughts have led me to do what I wish I had not done. Change the thoughts of my mind so that I can live the life you have called me to life. Amen

Miracles*Thinking These Things*

Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things?"

NIV

Mark 2:8

Miracles*Question These Things*

And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts?"

ESV

Mark 2:8

Miracles*Question This*

Jesus knew immediately what they were thinking, so he asked them, "Why do you question this in your hearts?"

NLT

Mark 2:8

Miracles*Reason About These Things*

But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts?"

NKJV

Mark 2:8

Miracles*Discussing These Questions*

At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts?"

NRSV

Mark 2:8

Miracles*So Skeptical*

Jesus knew right away what they were thinking, and said, "Why are you so skeptical?"

MSG

Mark 2:8

Miracles*Debated Within Themselves*

And at once Jesus, becoming fully aware in His spirit that they thus debated within themselves, said to them, Why do you argue (debate, reason) about all this in your hearts?"

AMP

Mark 2:8

Miracles*Bother You*

Jesus could read their minds and said to them at once, "Why does this bother you?"

TLB

Mark 2:8

Miracles*Were Reasoning*

Immediately Jesus, aware in His spirit that they were reasoning that way within themselves, *said to them, "Why are you reasoning about these things in your hearts?"

NASB

Mark 2:8

Miracles*Were Thinking*

Jesus knew immediately what these teachers of the law were thinking. So he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things?"

NCV

Mark 2:8

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 allow the Lord to change the thoughts that you think.

Prayer To Carry

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

Lord, I will allow you to change the thoughts that I think.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how do you want to change the thoughts that I think?
