

Emotions and Mindsets

Because so many Christians are motivated and lead by emotions we need to understand how they work; because the enemy, the devil and demons know and use them against us! The soul of man...the birthplace of emotions with all its complexities can be a friend or an enemy depending on its emotional climate! That emotional climate can aid the will or completely manipulate it either negatively or positively, thus creating an environment for victory or defeat!

Jer 17:9 "**The human heart is most deceitful and desperately wicked.** Who really knows how bad it is? 10 But I know! I, **the LORD, search all hearts and examine secret motives.** I give all people their due rewards, according to **what their actions deserve.**" NLT

- Before there are actions, there are thoughts that lead to motives. They can be good or bad depending on which spirit those thoughts are entertaining!

Ps 7:9 Oh, let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end, but establish the [uncompromisingly] righteous [those upright and in harmony with You]; for You, Who try the **hearts and emotions and thinking powers**, are a righteous God. (AMP)

- The heart, emotions, and thinking are connected.
 - **The heart is the center of emotions....** *John 14:27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be fearful.* ASV
 - Trusting in Jesus, your mind and thoughts meditating on His goodness, fully convinced of His love for you brings about a spirit of peace! Your emotional climate is one of peace!
 - **What you think affects your emotions....**"It is the reason demonic powers use lies in your thinking to invoke a negative emotion with the purpose of you accepting it as your own **simply because you feel it!**

Lam 1:20 "LORD, see my anguish! My heart is broken and my soul despairs, for I have rebelled against you. In the streets the sword kills, and at home there is only death. NLT

- In most cases broken hearts and negative emotions are the results of sin. The sin of not handling an offence in the correct way or just out right rebellion against God.
 - It is either your own personal sin or generational sin.

THERE ARE TIMES WHEN GOD ALLOWS SORROW TO BRING YOU TO REPENTANCE:

2 Cor 7:10 For God can use sorrow in our lives **to help us turn away from sin and seek salvation.** We will never regret that kind of sorrow. But sorrow without repentance is the kind that results in death. NLT

- That death is first spiritual. A place filled with despair. It is separation from God where there is no peace or joy!
- Pray for the LORD to grant you repentance. To open your spiritual eyes to deceptive lies of the enemy, and give you a willingness to change!
- Don't stop praying until you get your answer.
- It has been my experience God more readily answers these types of prayers than those for material things. (But seek ye first his kingdom, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Matt 6:33 ASV)

THE ANSWER IS IN **THE POWER OF GOD** WHEN YOU UNDERSTAND HAVING BEEN TAUGHT BY THE HOLY SPIRIT!

1 Cor 2:4 And my language and my message were not set forth in persuasive (enticing and plausible) words of wisdom, but they were in demonstration of the [Holy] Spirit and power [a proof by the Spirit and power of God, operating on me and **stirring in the minds of my hearers the most holy emotions** and thus persuading them], (AMP)

VISION IN A DREAM:

In one of the old places where I used to live growing up someone else, relatives whom I am familiar with were living in that place. They thought everything in their home looked fine, but I could see how much work it needed. The outside had their own personal touches that seemed out of place and quite crude made out of things that grew naturally around them.

The inside was sparse in one area. This room was to be remodeled to use as a living space, instead of its original purpose which was a garage. It still was incomplete with old parts still there just poorly disguised. It had been that way for a long time because the walls were dingy and incomplete!

The people living there were blinded to its real appearance because of “Pride” over what they had created with their own personal touches.

But the whole house needed parts replaced with the right material and needed to be washed with power before it could be restored!

EXPLANATION OF VISION:

The old places where we used to live represent the way we used to think before being “Born Again”; and in a lot of cases after receiving Christ. The relatives we are familiar with are the parts of our hearts that are distinct parts of our character that are being deceived by the enemy. Being blinded to the real state of their being. The personal touches made of crude natural things around them are the carnal thoughts picked up from being in the world which have been integrated into our own thinking. It is thinking apart from the Holy Spirit!

The sparse areas inside represent our carnal attempts to change parts of our lives, but have not completely accomplished the task so they are masked over, and over time we get used to them being that way. We have settled for less than God’s best behavior. The power washing is the power of the Holy Spirit, The Blood of Jesus, and The Water/Word of God.

THE ANSWER:

1. We must pray to the Lord to show us if we have built “Demonic Mindsets”.
2. As the Holy Spirit shows you thoughts which are actually lies that you have believed and accepted as your own. Make a list of them.
3. In prayer repent to the Lord for thinking that way confessing each thought from the list as your sin.
4. Ask him to help you renew your thinking by the power of the Holy Spirit.
5. Claim back the ground that was given to the enemy the Devil and demons asking the Lord to cleanse that ground with His precious blood.
6. Then command every evil spirit that stood on that ground out of your life in the name of Jesus!
7. Praise the Lord and expect the change in your life.