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Romans 12:2 NLT

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Philippians 2:4-7 TPT

Abandon every display of selfishness. Possess a greater concern for what matters to others instead of your own interests. And consider the example that Jesus, the Anointed One, has set before us. Let his mindset become your motivation. He existed in the form of God, yet he gave no thought to seizing equality with God as his supreme prize. Instead he emptied himself of his outward glory by reducing himself to the form of a lowly servant. He became human!

1. I SURRENDER EVERY THOUGHT TO CHRIST.

Proverbs 4:23 CEV

Carefully guard your thoughts because they are the source of true life.

2 Corinthians 10:5 NIV

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.

2. I SURRENDER EVERY CYCLE OF DECEPTION.

2 Timothy 2:26 NKJV

... they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.

A. YOU EXPERIENCE SOMETHING DEEPLY PAINFUL.

B. YOU CONNECT WHAT HAPPENED WITH WHO YOU ARE.

C. YOU BECOME A PRISONER CHAINED BY DECEPTION.

STOCKHOLM SYNDROM — “strong emotional ties that develop between two persons where one person intermittently harasses, beats, threatens, abuses, or intimidates the other.”

“For any of you who have lived with an abusive being inside your head – arguably all of us – the analogy probably makes sense. Though these voices hurt us, harm us... we can grow attached to them.”

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Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ, who is the exact likeness of God.

3. I SURRENDER EVERY STRONGHOLD.

2 Corinthians 10:3-4 NIV

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