

Thoughts and Prayer
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The Holy Spirit acting upon a believer is not always understood, until the believer recognizes their Divine Destiny and becomes obedient. Physical, mental or spiritual manifestations can arise causing difficulty in their life, until they receive blessing. Such experiences come into sharp focus in ministry. I like it when the message is inspired from life experiences, like this message was.

Changes in everyday life can be traumatic, especially when you have more than one to deal with at a time. My brother was at just such a point in his life. He experienced chest pains and his wife took him to the ER. Tests checked out fine but he has made appointment with a cardiologist. Upon receiving word I decided to send him a card. This was the message of one card I had to choose from:

If thoughts have healing power
You'll soon feel good as new
For thoughts are with you often
They're very special, too,
If heartfelt hopes can help you
Then each day more and more
You'll keep on feeling better
Than you've ever felt before.
Get Well Soon

Do thoughts have healing power? What does scripture teach about thoughts?

Text: Isaiah 55: 7-9 ASV

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
and let him return unto Jehovah, and he will have mercy upon him;

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith Jehovah. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Text: Isaiah 65: 2 ASV

I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, that walk in a way that is not good, after their own thoughts.

Text: Psalm 94: 11 ASV

Jehovah knoweth the thoughts of man, That they are vanity.

Text: Psalm 33: 10 ASV

Jehovah bringeth the counsel of the nations to nought; He maketh the thoughts of the peoples to be of no effect.

Text: Jeremiah 6: 19 ASV

Hear, O earth: behold, I will bring evil upon this people, even the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not hearkened unto my words; and as for my law, they have rejected it.

Text: Mark 7: 21-23 ASV

From within, out of the heart of men, evil thoughts proceed, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, covetings, wickednesses, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, railing, pride, foolishness: all these evil things proceed from within, and defile the man.

Text: Philippians 4: 7-8 ASV

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus. Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

Text: Hebrews 4: 12 ASV

The word of God is living, and active, and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing even to the dividing of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and quick to discern the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Title of the Wednesday, July 26, Bible Study and Prayer was What You Say. It was instruction of effectual prayer, that attains the blessing it seeks of God ! Effectual prayer must be in faith. You must expect blessing from your petition. You need not look for an answer to your prayer if you pray without expectation of obtaining it. Doubt is a thing of men, not of God. This is the tricky part. Thoughts are not words. They have not been given the power of life. You begin to doubt the instant your mind has that thought of impossibility. If you confess with your mouth the thought of impossibility, you own the doubt. As long as your mind does not have an uninvited thought creep in to your consciousness you can confess your faith.

Text: Proverbs 18: 21 ASV

Death and life are in the power of the tongue; And they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

Text: Romans 10: 9-10 ASV

If thou confess with thy mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in thy heart that God raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved: for with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Text: Matthew 12: 32, 34, 36-37 ASV

Whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him; but whosoever shall speak against the Holy Spirit, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, nor in that which is to come. Ye offspring of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. And I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou

shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

Text: Acts 19: 18 ASV

Many also of them that had believed came, confessing, and declaring their deeds.

Text: Matthew 17: 20 ASV

He saith unto them, Because of your little faith: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

Text: Luke 17: 6 ASV

The Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye would say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou rooted up, and be thou planted in the sea; and it would obey you.

Text: Luke 12: 8 ASV

I say unto you, Every one who shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God.

Text: Matthew 10: 27 ASV

What I tell you in the darkness, speak ye in the light; and what ye hear in the ear, proclaim upon the house-tops.

Is it effectual fervent prayer or is it praying a miss when saints bow their heads in silent prayer? Thoughts are not words. They have not been given the power of life. Here is the end of the matter. As for me, my thoughts much troubled me, and my countenance was changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart. Daniel 7: 28 ASV I failed to pray.

Text: James 4: 3 ASV

Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may spend it in your pleasures.

Give your prayer the power of life, confess with your mouth what you believe in your heart, when you draw near with boldness unto the throne of grace, that you may receive mercy, and may find grace to help in time of need.