Highlights



GRACE – God's provision (total prosperity) for man's every need, spirit, soul, and body

<u>Spiritual prosperity</u>= When we accept Christ, we become a new creation in Christ, and the spirit of God comes and lives within our spirit and we become one with Him.

<u>Soul prosperity</u>= when our mind, will and emotions line up with what's in our spirit which produces the fruit of the Spirit (love, joy, peace, etc.)

<u>Physical prosperity</u>= health and wholeness in our body

God's grace has been given to everyone who will believe. Faith is our positive response toward God's grace that reaches out and takes hold of it.

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Faith Builders

Seed for today

God's word planted in our heart brings a harvest of His provision



He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? Romans 8:32

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Faith works by knowing God's love.



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My Source

Father, your Word is established forever! You've exalted your Word over your name. I put my trust in your Word because you are my Lord.

Psalm 119:89 Psalm 138:2 Philippians 4:19

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Featured Article

Thinking like God

by Kristine Repino

Is the glass half empty or is it half full?

One person looks at the problem, another focuses on the solution. Some say this is right, others say that is wrong....

But God is MORE than an optimist, and His standard of right and wrong is HIGHER than any relative measure.

How do we know how God thinks and can we think like Him?

Many people don't believe we can know what God "thinks" and therefore could not ever attain thinking like Him, professing we can only try to live up to a certain moral code of ethics and be a good person. Some have taken the following scripture to validate this reasoning.

1 Corinthians 2:11 For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.

However, the next verse tells us exactly how we can know God's thoughts.

1 Corinthians 2:12 Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God.

This is NOT done through natural wisdom or understanding. It is only by the Spirit of God Himself.

1 Corinthians 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

It was prophesied in **Jeremiah 31:34**, "No longer will each man teach his neighbor or his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' because they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquities and will remember their sins no more."

The apostle John talks about the fulfillment of this in 1 John 2:27, But you have received the Holy Spirit, and he lives within you, so you don't need anyone to teach you what is true. For the Spirit teaches you everything you need to know, and what he teaches is true—it is not a lie. So just as he has taught you, remain in fellowship with Christ.

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God has equipped every born-again believer to not only understand how He thinks, but to think exactly the same way. How? Through our born again spirit-where the Spirit of God is. We have the Spirit of God in us. As born again children of God, we have the mind of Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

But this is in our spirit. How do we think like God in our natural mind? It all begins by renewing our mind to the truth of what is already known in our spirit.

Renew the mind

Romans 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Romans 8:6 The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. **Proverbs 4:20-23** My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh. Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life.

Jesus tells us His Words gives life. It is not through our flesh or natural thinking, which we come to know God or His will.

John 6:63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.

Renewing the mind is not a one-time event, and it isn't about acquiring scriptural knowledge. It's only when the Word you know changes the very depth of your thinking to line up with God's that it transforms your mind and causes you to "think" like God.

Abide in the Word

John 15:5-8 I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

A heart that is connected to the Spirit of God within him allows the Word of God to change his believing, thinking, and acting to line up with God.

Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

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Philippians 4:8 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.

We judge these things by the Word of God.

Thinking like God is being Word-minded and, word-minded is spiritual mindedness. If you are not thinking in line with the Word, you are not thinking like God. As the apostle Paul says (2 Corinthians 7:10), with a godly sorrow repent (change the way you think), and agree with God. It's as simple as that! Amen

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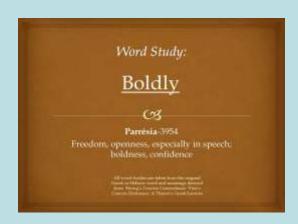
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Word Study



BOLDLY means to do something without reservation or shame. To have confidence in what you are doing.

Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

FOR MORE WORD STUDIES

Food for thought

- 1. What is a saint?
 - a. Church honored Christians who have done tremendous work for the kingdom
 - b. People who have made Jesus their Lord and Savior
- c. Those who have been glorified by God for their tremendous work for the kingdom
- 2. Of the four Gospel writers, who was one of the 12 apostles?
 - a. Matthew, Luke, John
 - b. Matthew, Mark, Luke, John
 - c. Matthew, John
 - d. None of the above
- 3. When and where were believers first called 'Christians'?
 - a. When the Roman Catholic Church was established.
 - b. In Antioch, during the time The Apostle Paul spent a year there.
 - c. When the Protestant reformation began.
- Answers on the back page

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Grace for today

God's provision is sufficient for each day



Relationship vs Religion I know this title tends to offend some. But that is not my intention. My hope is to encourage you that you can have as much of God as you want! What do I mean by that? It is time for the Church, and that begins with each individual, to know God in His fullness.

He has given us Jesus, the perfect representation of His true nature and character to demonstrate His complete will for us, His children. He has given us His Word and His Spirit that lives within us! But as long as you can live without knowing Him, you will. We can have a life-giving relationship with our Heavenly Father beyond religious rituals and vain prayers. We can know Him experientially.

God is as good as YOU expect Him to be!

Ephesians 3:17-19 that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height—to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

See Full Article: **RELATIONSHIP VS RELIGION**

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Featured Testimony Using your body as s weapon against *Physical injuries*

I have had many times I've sprained, twisted, or pulled something somewhere in the great oblivion of my body. You never quite know where the problem is, but when it happens, you know it'll take a week or a month to go away, and sometimes never does quite heal completely. What do you do? I don't put up with it!

This is when using your body like a weapon is so important! When you believe the truth by His (Jesus') stripes you WERE healed, you don't act sick.

Do what you can't. I Exercise it, stretch it, and make it do what you would if it were not injured. I did this once with my back. I pulled something so bad, I could not move without intense pain. I said NO, In Jesus' name, back you are healed! Then I began moving my body in positions it's never been in. I did this for about an hour, not because the exercise is going to heal my back(not that stretching isn't a good thing). I exercised excessively because my back IS healed and whole and I refused to let the devil keep me from being able to move around and do what I should be able to do. Sometimes it's taken an hour of stretching, pulling, walking, jumping, dancing... and I have been completely healed. Other times, it's taken hours or even a couple days of fighting and also resisting the urge to lay down and just let it have its way before complete healing manifested. But if you don't give up or give in, knowing you already have the victory, fight for it and healing will come!

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This newsletter was created to bring you the spiritual food of God's Word in various forms to nourish you in the Truth. It is my hope and prayer that as you feed on the Word of God through scripture study, faith builders, and teaching you are encouraged and strengthened in the inner man as you are transformed into the image of Jesus God has created you to be. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your journey.

Blessings, Kristine

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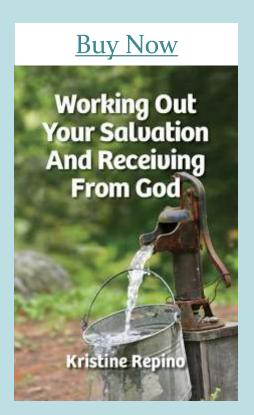


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Salvation is a finished work of the cross! We can't earn it or work for it. The Apostle Paul tells us to work out our salvation with fear and trembling. But has the church misinterpreted this statement? How we receive from God is dependent on understanding what God says about the gift of righteousness through salvation. What is God's role? And what is ours?

Work out your salvation by understanding this truth and see it transform your life and have the power to influence those around you!

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Beliefs

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- b. People who have made Jesus their Lord and Savior-believers (Romans 1:7)
- 2. c. Matthew, John (Matthew 10:1-4)
- 3. b. In Antioch (Acts 11:26)