

A landscape photograph at sunset. The sun is a bright yellow circle on the horizon, partially obscured by a range of low mountains. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and light blue, with some wispy clouds. The foreground shows a rugged, rocky terrain with deep shadows and highlights from the low sun. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Renewed
Minds Make
All Things New

1 Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, *which is your spiritual service of worship.*

Romans 12:1–2

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

To remain in an old way
of living or an old
mindset, requires that we
resist the divine nature
which we now possess.

Repentance means "to change your mind" and then to "turn" from old ways of living based on those mindsets.

Tools of Conformity:

1. Appealing to our carnal appetites.

Tools of Conformity:

2. Questioning God's
Word

"Did God really say
that?"

Tools of Conformity:

3. Herd mindsets.

(The power of
Culture)

Tools of Conformity:

4. Fear of Rejection
(Peer pressure)

9 but just as it is written, “THINGS WHICH EYE HAS NOT SEEN AND EAR HAS NOT HEARD, AND *which* HAVE NOT ENTERED THE HEART OF MAN, ALL THAT GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM.”

1 Corinthians 2:9–12

10 For *to us God revealed them through the Spirit*; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God.

11 For who among men knows the *thoughts* of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so the *thoughts* of God no one knows except the Spirit of God.

12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, *so that we may know the things freely given to us by God,*

Tools of Renewal:

1. Fill your mind with truth!

8 Finally, brethren, whatever is true,
whatever is honorable, whatever is right,
whatever is pure, whatever is lovely,
whatever is of good repute, if there is any
excellence and if anything worthy of
praise, DWELL ON THESE THINGS.

Philippians 4:8

Tools of Renewal:

2. Listen to your
conscience.

Tools of Renewal:

3. Rejecting lies.

"Why do I believe
this?"

Tools of Renewal:

4. Relentlessly taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ.