

RESTORATION

& The Power of Prayer



A man with a beard and long hair, wearing a white shawl over a light-colored tunic, stands in a forest. He is looking back over his shoulder towards the viewer. The forest floor is covered in fallen leaves, and a path of light leads through the trees. The text "Come follow Me" is written in a white, serif font across the middle of the image.

“Come follow Me”



HELMET of SALVATION

Renewal of the Mind



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Recap:

Re-Wiring the Brain

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Dr. Paul Hegstom Story - Video

Books -

- **Broken Children, Grown Up Pain**
- **Angry Men and the Women Who Love Them**



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The battle begins in the mind:

"Watch your *thoughts*, for your thoughts inspire your words.
Watch your *words*, for your words precede your actions.
Watch your *actions*, for your actions become your habits.
Watch your *habits*, for your habits build your character.
And watch your *character*, for your character decides your *destiny*."



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- **The change is in the heart where the Holy Spirit resides**
- **Learn to Discern by the renewing of your mind**



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*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 12:2



EVERY DAY WE ARE TO PUT ON THE HELMET OF SALVATION

1. Beginning to see life through the Christ's perspective and no longer our own by developing a personal intimate walk with Him. *The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace* **Romans 8:6**



2. **The renewal of the mind.** *“Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the **renewing of your mind**. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”* **Romans 12:2**



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3. Learning to “...take every thought captive to the obedience of Jesus Christ.” 2 Corinthians 10:5



4. See challenges that we face throughout the day as an “opportunity” to witness the glory of God in our life rather than seeing it as an obstacle that seems impossible to overcome.



RENEWAL OF THE MIND

A. CAMPAIGN (BATTLE) OF THE MIND

1. Since the battle, the fight, is the “good fight of faith.” What exactly is “**Faith**” in relation to spiritual warfare?
2. **Faith** is defined in common terms as *trust* in a person or thing
3. **Trust** for a true Believer is produced as a result of *time spent in intimate fellowship* with the person of Jesus Christ by means of the power of the Holy Spirit



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A. CAMPAIGN (BATTLE) OF THE MIND

4. Trust = Faith
5. Opposite of faith is fear
6. Perfect Love cast out **fear** **1 John 4:18**
7. Since love means relationship and perfect love cast out fear, then *trust* is the key derivative to true *faith* which is the battle for which we are fighting
8. The question is, ***“How can you put your faith in God, if you do not even know Him?”***



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A. CAMPAIGN (BATTLE) OF THE MIND

9. **On our journey with Jesus Sanctification is “Christ in you... (Colossians 1:27). Sanctification is not drawing from Jesus the power to be holy—it is drawing from Jesus the very holiness that was exhibited in Him. ***
10. **Sanctification is impartation, not imitation which implies relationship. A relationship of perfect love.**

* My Utmost for His Highest, *Oswald Chambers*, Sanctification, July 23



RENEWAL OF THE MIND

*There is no fear in love; but **perfect love** casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.*

1 John 4:18

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”

2 Timothy 4:7



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EVERY DAY WE ARE TO PUT ON THE HELMET OF SALVATION

3 Keys to Remember:

1. **The battle begins in the mind** and defeating the Enemy takes a **daily** renewal of the mind.
2. **This renewal means a *change of perspective***, and the only perspective that can both discern the battle and overcome in victory is the **mind of Christ.** (1 Corinthians 2:16)
3. **Our submission to and focus on the Holy Spirit's prompting is the only clear path** that will bring us— and those around us —**out of the Pit of destruction and death.**



RENEWAL OF THE MIND

B. MIND EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

1. Meditating on God's word – the Bible – serves as a powerful tool for building your foundation in truth and developing Biblical discernment. The Holy Bible serves as God's divine guidepost.
2. Yet we can intellectually accept the written word of God as true, admire it and agree with it, but not allow it to have an impact on our lives –this is called “**Mental Assent.**”



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B. MIND EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

We are not asked to believe the Bible, but to believe the One Whom the Bible reveals (John 5:39-40).

Oswald Chambers — My Utmost for His Highest (May 5)

“You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me. But you are not willing to come to Me that you may have life.”

John 5:39-40



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B. MIND EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

3. By definition, mental assent means to agree or approve something (such as an idea or suggestion), especially after thoughtful consideration.
4. Mental assent ***agrees with God*** but does not necessarily ***believe in God***.
5. Therefore, it is ***not in the mind but rather the heart*** that brings about the **true renewal of the mind.**



RENEWAL OF THE MIND

The finite mind will never fully comprehend the infinite mind of God, it was never meant to. Ours is to have **faith** beginning with **trust** through **time** spent in **relationship** with Jesus Christ empowered by the Holy Spirit each day.

The person without the Holy Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 2:14



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It is only through faith in the Word made flesh Jesus Christ that we are empowered by the Holy Spirit to not only understand the written word of Scriptures, but to live (abide in) the Word – Jesus Christ.

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.

John 15:4



RENEWAL OF THE MIND

To have the mind of Christ is Spiritual maturity.

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20



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That is why it is by faith that we receive righteousness and justification that no man may boast. Only by the grace of God are we saved and set free.

For by grace, you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9



RENEWAL OF THE MIND

Therefore,

To put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

Ephesians 4:22-24



DAILY PUT ON THE HELMET

1. The battle is in the mind, **but the change comes from the heart, where the Holy Spirit resides.** Defeating the Enemy takes a ***daily*** renewal of the mind. This renewal means a ***change of perspective,*** and the only perspective that can both discern the battle and overcome in victory is **the mind of Christ.**

KEY: *You are no longer the “old man” of the world but the “new man” of God’s eternal Kingdom.*



DAILY PUT on the HELMET

2. The mind of Christ comes through a personal relationship with Him, spending **TIME** in prayer (dialogue) which builds **TRUST** leading to **mountain-moving FAITH** and **abiding in His Word**. This daily choice serves as the **MOST** powerful tool for building your *foundation in Truth, developing powerful discernment*.

KEY: *Beginning your day in prayer is strategic to the blessings you receive, the opportunities you recognize, and the troubles you overcome during that day.*

Therefore, Armor Up each day in prayer!



DAILY PUT on the HELMET

3. Our daily submission to and focus on the Holy Spirit's prompting is the only clear path to victory. The small victories lead to greater victories and confidence through Christ in overcoming the world, the flesh and the devil not just in our own life, but in the lives of others through intercessory prayer.

KEY: *It is by faith we choose to take the "action step" of putting on the Helmet of Salvation every day. The ripple effect of this one choice can change your world and the world around you. Your life makes a difference by means of your choices.*





"Fighting the good fight of faith in Jesus Christ one-day-at-a-time."



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