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**Slice of Life**

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (4) (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) (5) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; (KJV)

It’s amazing when one really stops and thinks about it; about how much spiritual baggage we still hang onto rather than casting it aside. How many worst case scenarios do we still entertain, even when the Bible is specific to promise a life filled with goodness and mercy. I mean really, it’s not like we are dealing with a God who has let us down at times and failed like mankind has; so how much more could He do for His people if they would only let Him?

Philippians 4:6-8 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. (7) And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. (8) Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, 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. (KJV)

One of those things that we should be casting down and placing into our Lord’s hands is care; you know those imaginations that you entertain as truth? All that junk that you imagine is going to happen, only to find out that in the end none of it was true. Care is like someone throwing a bomb into your house with a lit fuse, and instead of opening the door and throwing it back out you stand there and analyze it. If you hang onto it to long it will eventually go off and cause damage, which is what happens when you entertain imaginations for too long, you end up speaking them into existence and giving the enemy a place to go off. Verse 8 gives us a perfect example of what we should be thinking on rather than old things that blew up in our face.

1 Corinthians 2:14-16 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. (15) But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. (16) For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ. (KJV)

The natural man is limited and can only operate in a foolish realm, which is why they do foolish things that they end up ashamed with. You have the mind of Christ when you keep it renewed in the things of the Spirit which is based on truth and not on lies or fear.

Romans 13:12-14 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. (13) Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. (14) But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof. (KJV)

Haven’t you wasted enough time in the past because of the dark realm that you used to live in; you know that fake imaginary realm of the flesh which promises so much and delivers so little? Why not cast that junk aside and start seeing things from our Lord’s perspective, one based on truth; after all, look where He ended up.

Ephesians 4:17-20 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, (18) Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: (19) Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. (20) But ye have not so learned Christ; (KJV)

So which realm are you truly living in today; a new one that will get results based on truth, or are you still falling for an imagination? Imaginations are like blinders that will keep you stuck in the flesh until you get rid of them.