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LIFEGROUP RESOURCES: 11.20.22 Pulpit Curriculum

A Theology of Christian Thinking

Main passage: Philippians 4:8

- 1) Which of these 10 listed below do you struggle accepting the most? Why?
- 2) What truth in the passage enhanced your worship of God the most? How?
- 3) In light of this truth, what is one thing that you can implement in your walk with Christ?
- 4) Which of these 10 listed below do you want to apply more deliberately? How?
- 5) Are there any lies that you are believing or wrestling with about this passage?
- 6) Is there something in this passage that wasn't clear that you may need more clarification on?
- 7) Which of these 10 listed below are weakest for you? How will you grow stronger?
- 8) What was one thing in the sermon that convicted you?

Foundations of Christian Thinking:

- 1) Reject Worldly Thinking
- 2) Place Thinking over Feeling
- 3) Renew the Mind
- 4) Receive the Mind of Christ
- 5) Find True Truth in Christ Jesus
- 6) Grow by the Truth
- 7) Grow through Theology
- 8) Build a Theological Superstructure for Your Life



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9) Commune with God through the Truth

10) Embrace the Discipline and Deliberation of Christian Thinking

“Faith is primarily thinking; and the whole trouble with a man of little faith is that he does not think. He allows circumstances to bludgeon him. That is the real difficulty in life. Life comes to us with a club in it’s hand and strikes us upon the head, and we become incapable of thought, helpless and defeated. The way to avoid that, according to our Lord, is to think. We must spend more time studying our Lord’s lessons.

The Bible is full of logic, and we must never think of faith as something purely mystical. We do not just sit down in an armchair and expect marvelous things to happen to us. That is not Christian faith. Christian faith is essentially thinking. Look at the birds, think about them, and draw your deductions. Look at the grass, look at the lilies of the field, consider them. Think.

The trouble with the person of little faith is that, instead of controlling his own thought, his thought is being controlled by something else, and he goes round and round in circles. That is the essence of worry.... That is not thought; that is the absence of thought; a failure to think.

The trouble with most people, however, is that they will not think. Instead of doing this, they sit down and ask, “What is going to happen to me? What can I do?” That is the absence of thought; it is surrender, it is defeat. Our Lord is urging us to think, and to think in a Christian manner. That is the very essence of faith.” – Martyn Lloyd-Jones