

Recognizing the Power of Thoughts
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Scriptures:

- Proverbs 4:23, *GNT*
- 2 Corinthians 2:10, 11, *NLT*
- 2 Corinthians 2:10, 11 *NIV*
- John 10:10
- 2 Corinthians 10:4, 5
- Genesis 3:1, 6
- 2 Corinthians 5:13, *NLT*

Summary:

Our thoughts profoundly influence the direction of our lives. What we think determines what happens to us; as free moral agents with authority over our minds, we must always be ready for Satan's attack on our thoughts and emotions. He wants to establish strongholds in our minds and permanently set up residency there; his goal is to defeat and destroy us by trapping us with negative thinking. This is destructive and deadly; not only does wrong thinking affect our relationships with others, but it also destroys our mental and physical health over time. We win the battle by learning to think like God and letting Him shape our thinking. When the devil tries to feed his thoughts to our minds, we defeat him by pushing back and believing what God says instead. Planting His Word in our minds like a seed and letting it grow allows it to cast out all the enemy's lies and renew our minds to God's truth.

Notes:

1. Our thought lives are very influential; what we think carries great power.
2. The enemy has a file on each of us. He constantly goes to it to devise the most effective methods to attack and destroy us. He wants to operate in our lives undetected.
3. A stronghold is a way of thinking and a pattern of thoughts. This is where we fight our battles. We must pull down any strongholds Satan tries to build in our minds.
4. Planting God's Word in our minds and hearts and letting it grow changes our thinking; it moves us from fear to love.

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