

Strongholds – 2 “Thoughts”

II Corinthians 10:3-5 (KJV)
(NLT) vs. 3-5

[Process of a Stronghold]

1. Thoughts – general mental activity
 - We choose to develop with or without God
 - Bring captive to the obedience of Christ or allow to go rogue

Proverbs 23:7 “... as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he...”

2. High thing – lofty opinions
 - proud reasonings
 - Exalted thoughts above God’s thoughts
 - “Sets itself up against the knowledge of God”

Romans 3:4 “... let God be true and every man a liar...”

3. Imagination – it becomes a part of you
 - Hostile philosophies against God
 - Argumentative reasonings against the truth
 - Theories unassailable
4. Strongholds – lies that have a strong hold on you
 - Exalted thoughts above God’s thoughts
 - Philosophies that spoil us
 - Paradigms that all future thoughts must pass (no right of passage until that thought conforms to my stronghold)
 - Idols of strong beliefs rooted in lies and falsehoods
 - I Corinthians 10:20 (ref)
 - (Secular terms) = habits, addictions, co-dependancy
 - Repeated areas of defeat that seem irreversible
 - Personal strongholds
 - Religious strongholds
 - Cultural strongholds

NOTE: We can bind Satan, but we must dismantle, one brick at a time, the castle (stronghold) he built in our minds.

Isaiah 55:6-11 (KJV)

- 1) Wicked are to forsake his way, unrighteous man his thoughts.

- 2) God's ways and thoughts versus ours
- 3) God's Word is His ways
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- 4) God said
Genesis 3:1 "Hath God said...." (question)
Genesis 3:4 "You shall not die." (lie)
Genesis 3:5 (compound the lie) "... God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil."

Satan always promises in sin more; leading us into less.

John 8:31-47 (KJV)

- John 17:17 (KJV)

Ref: John 1:14 / John 14:6 / Ephesians 4:2 / I Thessalonians 2:13

Mark 8:31-38 (KJV)

Vs. 33 (Amp)

Savourest (Greek) to exercise the mind

To entertain or have a sentiment or opinion

"You're not thinking in line with God!"

"You're embarrassed and ashamed of Me and My Word!"