THE MIND GAMES

Part 3: Renewing The Mind

RENEWING THE MIND; PART OF THE CHANGE PROCESS

- Don't be conformed (Romans 12:2 NIV)
 - ◆ Shaped / molded by ways that do not factor in God
 - ◆ The implied message is that the pressures to conform are already present
- Renew the word implies to renovate
 - ◆ To restore to a better condition, to make brighter and prettier, give new life or energy
 - ◆ Replacing old ways of thinking to think in line with God's truth (John 8:31-32 NKJ)
- ❖ The end result of constant renewing is constant transformation
 - ◆ Transformed the word where we get metamorphosis
 - ◆ Transformation is not an automatic event (1 Corinthians 3:1-3 NASB)
- The worry example (Philippians 4:4-7 NIV)
 - ✦ Rejoicing always is a nonconformist way of operating
 - ◆ A gentle sweet reasonableness is a different spirit than exists in the world
 - ♦ Not being anxious about anything
 - ◆ After doing these things God's peace can rule your heart and mind but...
 - → You are not done (Philippians 4:8 NIV)

WELCOME TO WARFARE (2 Corinthians 10:3-5 NIV)

- Some pretty strong language
 - ♦ We are at war but not a physical battle
 - ◆ We do have weapons and they are God designed
 - ◆ We pull down strongholds and take thoughts captive
- ❖ Paul continues this battle theme (Ephesians 6:10-12 NLT)
 - Much hope in these verses
 - ◆ There is an unseen realm and we have to deal with it