#### HOW TO LIVE A REFRESHING CHRISTIAN LIFE

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Part 2: Ephesians 4:17-24



#### **Question #1**

1. Why do we have to renew our minds?

A. We have ingrained FUTILITY.
"in the vanity [futility] of their minds" (vs. 17)
"having understanding darkened" (vs. 18)
"alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them" (vs. 18)

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

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

## **STRONGHOLDS** stubborn patterns of thinking that resist God's Word and God's will for us



## Nothing will be different until we think differently!

Where do these STRONGHOLDS come from?

Disposition
Family Dysfunction
Decisions & Desires

## *Question #2* **2. How do we renew our minds?**

## Renewing = to make new; renovate

# Renovation is not the same as remodeling!

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# Get in the Word!

As the mind understands the truth of God's Word, it is gradually transformed by the Spirit, and this renewal leads to a changed life.

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