

Clarity Series - **Thinking Clearly**

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I. **Thoughts & Prayers**

II. **Differing Worldviews**

1st Corinthians 2:14-16

v. 14

The Worldly-Minded

v. 15

The Spiritually-Minded

v. 16

The Mind Of Christ

III. **Clarity Of Mind**

Personal Reflection

Take time this week to pray & respond to the following:

Muddled thinking is increasingly a symptom of modern life. Thus far, the freedom & comfort humanity seeks through technological advancement has resulted more in overload & distraction than in contemplative times of leisure.

Thinking is not an easy endeavor. When one takes the time to focus & process the facts, he or she is choosing to abstain from other activity. From the outside looking in, the thinking person is an idle person who may very well be wasting their time.

For a follower of Jesus Christ, it is altogether possible to unwittingly end up on spiritual auto-pilot, going through the motions & “getting things done,” but learning very little in the process. Maturity & growth, especially in the spiritual sense, will not occur without intentional investment of the intellect.

The Lord expects you to be a thoughtful person & He wants you to think clearly. In fact, His Word explicitly demands that you use all of your faculties, mental, physical & emotional for the fulfillment of His plan for your life. He knows that in this endeavor, you will find true & lasting joy.

Are you taking time to think? Are you intentionally exposing yourself to ideas & information that are new to you? What kinds of thoughts occupy the majority of your mental activity—carnal needs & cravings or higher ideas about life, meaning & purpose?

Prayerfully ask the Lord to give you clarity of thought. Thank God that through the Holy Spirit, you have access to the mind of Christ. Praise God for the spiritual insight & discernment granted to you through this intimate relationship. Commit to be a thoughtful, prayerful & enthusiastic son or daughter of the Lord.