



Dear Friend of [Abiding Above](#),

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Praise God! Through your prayers and faithful support we continue to reach many people through our radio broadcasts (that you keep going) and through our discipleship program. We broadcast here in America and also in Africa through radio. We broadcast through Internet all over the world through our web site www.abidingabove.org and also through www.oneplace.com. To God be the glory, great things He continues to do!

“ We continue to share the gospel with every person, encourage spiritual growth in every believer, by the power of the Holy Spirit, and to the glory of God. ”

Think about this, the printed page and electronic media are the most powerful and far reaching ways to reach people for Jesus Christ. The printed page will continue to be here long after God has called us home. What we write on paper in this ministry will forever show up somewhere on earth. Our devotions, lessons, and sermon transcripts are like paper missionaries. They are here to stay! These sermons and teaching video clips can find themselves on any computer in the world because of the Internet. People that we do not know and will never meet listen to our radio broadcasts through the Internet. Please keep helping us. We need you as we continue on!

The Apostle Paul said in **Romans 12:1-2** – *“I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.”*

Paul, in these two verses is contrasting two ways of life: that of the believer who is being transformed by God, and that of the believer who is being conformed to the world. We must remember as children of God, what Paul also said in **2 Corinthians 5:17** – *“Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.”*

My friend, since the day you asked Jesus to come into your heart you have been a *“new creature in Christ.”* Continue on with God! Walk along in His Spirit! Never give in to the world, the flesh (self), and the devil! You may be wondering, “How can this be done?” Listen to this translation of verse 2 by J.B. Phillips – *“Don’t let the world around you squeeze you into it’s own mould, but let God remake you so that your whole attitude of mind is changed.”*



Chris Hodges
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My friend, as you walk with God, letting Him have His way, He is continuously renewing your mind by His Spirit and through His Word. What does this mean? It means you, my friend, are becoming more like Jesus!

I want to encourage you to present to God 3 things:

1. Your Body

With your mind made up, you simply say, *“I give my whole body to Him, to do with it what He pleases, to complete in me what He started in me at salvation.”*

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 – *“Or do you not know your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price therefore glorify God in your body.”*

2. Your Mind

You see, because we were created in the image of Adam who was created in the image of God, we have retained the image and likeness of God. We have intelligence, emotion, and will. Our problem is we still have minds that remember sin’s pleasures, so we have temptations throughout life. This is why Paul calls for us to renew our minds.

Write to us, we will send you a free Bible Study to start this process of renewing your mind with God’s Holy Word.

3. Your Will

For the most part, my mind controls my body, and my will controls my mind. Mostly, we think about what we want (will) to think about. God has only one will for your life and God’s will is the one and only perfect will. Are you walking in His will or your will? Walk on the best and higher path, God’s perfect will for your life determined by God since before the foundation of the world.

Again, thank you for supporting me in getting the whole Word out to the whole world!

Abiding above,



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Colossians 3:1-3