Study

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Review Last Week's Next Steps

☐ I chose to turn my life and will over to the care and control of Jesus.

THIS WEEK'S SERMON RECAP

Embark on a journey within your stream of thoughts, perceptions, desires, and emotions, ever-present in our minds. Mastering the art of directing them is the pinnacle of living. God urges us to embrace the transformative power of renewing our minds, shaping not only the life we lead but also the person we become.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Viktor Frankl highlighted the ultimate freedom as the freedom of the mind. Have you experienced the power of your thoughts and attitudes shaping your life? What are some examples that come to mind?
- 2. The speaker talks about multiple reasons for reading the Bible, such as generating life, creating faith, providing guidance, and more. Which of these reasons resonate the most with you? Why?
- 3. What is the S-O-A-P (Scripture, Observe, Application, Prayer) framework, and how can it be leveraged to guide your personal Bible study?
- 4. The speaker discusses the common excuse of not having enough time to read the Bible and challenges this notion. How can we make time for meaningful engagement with the Scriptures in our busy lives? What other excuses might be preventing you from reading the Bible, and what is your plan for overcoming those challenges?

- 5. Reflect on the impact of biblical literacy being at an all-time low. How does this affect individuals and communities, and what steps can be taken to improve biblical literacy?
- 6. What are some actions you can take to incorporate a relaxed and unhurried spirit into your engagement with the Bible? What adjustments or strategies can you implement into your daily routine?
- 7. Discuss the concept of "Do the next right thing" as a practical application of the sermon's message. What specific actions or decisions can you make in your daily life to align with the teachings of the Bible?
- 8. Reflect on the teaching that emphasizes how our stream of thoughts, perceptions, desires, and emotions constantly shapes our minds, ultimately determining the kind of life we lead and the person we become. What commitment are you prepared to make today to intentionally direct this "stream" in your daily life?

NEXT STEPS	FOR THIS	WEEK (COMMIT TO	GROW
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I will renew my mind by regularly reading the Bible.
I will place my life under the authority of the Bible.
I will ask God to form me spiritually as I read Scripture.
I will ask God to wash my mind with the Word.
I will read with a readiness to to what it says.
I will reflect on Scripture in order to transform my mind.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

- 2 Timothy 3:14-17
- James 1:22

Prayer Request(s)

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