

## I Corinthians 12 Christ Minded notes

### I Corinthians 2:11-12; 16

--What's on your mind today? Hopefully, the Lord and His Word is.

The Bible has so much to say about our minds and thoughts, but nothing more amazing than here in I Corinthians 2:11-12; 16 (Isa. 40:13)

--The only problem we have the mind of Christ is that we already have another mind in there! I Corinthians 3:1-4; Romans 8:6-7; I Corinthians 14:20

### 1. Our first goal is to take our minds and our thinking seriously.

How we think is not neutral; not a small thing but a major thing in our lives.

--We do nothing good or bad without first thinking about it.

--There is practically no action, attitude or word that does not originate out of how we think.

--If our actions, attitudes or words are not what we want, the change starts with our thinking.

Proverbs 23:7 – “think” in this instance is a Hebrew word that means to think deeply, to calculate—its not surface level thoughts.

--These thoughts--our thoughts, shape us

“If you don't make up your mind, your unmade mind will unmake you.”

If I plant corn but get mad because I expected wheat, what would say to me?

--Our minds are like gardens: If you are planting negative things you will reap it, if you plant bitterness you will reap it; if you plant evil you will reap it.

--There is a harvest coming for what's currently going on in your mind, what will it be?

Our minds are like computers: Whatever is your input will eventually be your output. If you aren't satisfied with your life's output, you need to check the input.

--God sets a premium on what our minds are worth to Him

Matthew 22:37

Philippians 4:8 – the right input creates the right output; the right seed produces the right crop.

### 2. Our second goal is to take action.

We have the mind of Christ by God's gracious gift II Timothy 1:7 – literally a whole or sound mind.

--Whether or not that this sound mind of Christ is realized in our lives will take action on our part.

--II Timothy 1:6 – “remind”—we need to be **re-minded** of who we are what we are supposed to be doing.

Actions points for a constant re-reminder:

1. Feed your mind good stuff if you want good stuff produced in your life.

--**Phil. 4:8** – What are you feeding your mind?

--**Matthew 12:34** NIV

2. Control your mind—You can do it!

“When our lives are out of control, our minds are out of control.”

--**Phil. 4:6-7** – Controlling our minds results in peace.

--**Colossians 3:1-2** – If you love to pick good fruit, you’ve got to plant good seeds.

3. Guard your mind – **II Corinthians 10:5** – Our minds are a battlefield and it is where our life battles are won or lost.

--When Paul tells the Ephesians to put on the whole armor of God, one piece of that armor is the Helmet. *Got to protect our heads!*

4. Renew you mind -- **Eph. 4:22-24**

**Romans 12:2** –

This takes us back to mind of Christ –

-the Mind of Christ knows the will of God,

-the Mind of Christ discerns what’s really going on,

-the Mind of Christ knows what matters.

What people need is someone who can talk like Jesus, think like Jesus, keep their head like Jesus, see through the confusion like Jesus, be kind like Jesus, love like Jesus