

# TRUTH WILL RENEW YOUR MIND

1. Jesus said knowing the truth is the key to our freedom and it comes by continuing in His Word John 8:31, 32; John 17:17

- Strongholds (2 Cor. 10:3-5) start with a thought that is a lie.

2. The enemy to freedom, the devil, uses lies to blind, deceive, and keep us from perceiving the truth John 8:44.

- satan's only power is to deceive us & deception is simply believing a lie instead of the truth 2 Tim. 4:1-4; 2 Thess. 2:10; Dn. 8:12.

- What we believe influences everything we think, say, & do.

- He has to use lies because he has no legitimate authority, right, or rule.

3. Truth is first and foremost to renew our mind & as a weapon in our warfare against the devil/demons 2 Cor. 10:4, 5; Ephesians 6:10-18.

**The devil's tactic is to lie to us & attack who we are or our identity.**

**He wants us to believe what defines who we are and what our future will be is based on:**

**1. Past experiences**

What life says you are

**2. Performance**

What actions say you are

**3. People's opinions**

What people say you are

**4. Personal perception**

What feelings say you are

# SEEING OUR NEW IDENTITY

## I. We have a new identity

A. It influences how you think, view, and feel about yourself

B. It influences behavior; who we are influencing what we do

## II. False basis of identity

A. Past experiences

What life says you are.

B. Performance

What actions say you are

C. People's opinions

What people say you are

D. Personal perception

What feelings say you are

E. Other false equations

## III. Get your sense of security from being in Christ

A. 1 John 5:4 Put faith in your born again identity

B. 1 Corinthians 15:10 Who you are by grace

# The devil's ceaseless tactic

A. An attack against our identity, who we really are.

B. He uses your behavior to get us to question, doubt, and believe lies about our identity.

## Satan's Lies

You are a sinner because you sometimes sin.

You get your identity from what you have done.

You get your identity from what people say about you.

Your feelings determine what you should think about yourself.

## God's Truth

You are a saint who does not have to sin but can yield to sin.

You get your identity from **what God has done** for you.

You get your identity from **what God says** about you.

Your **thinking** in line with God's should **determine how you feel** about yourself