

Thinking Smart and Smart Thinking

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Scriptures:

- 1 Corinthians 15:34, MSG
- Romans 5:9-11, MSG
- Romans 6:6-11, MSG
- Romans 8:15-17, MSG
- 2 Corinthians 3:18, MSG
- James 1:22-25, MSG
- Romans 6:10
- 2 Corinthians 5:17
- Romans 12:2

Summary:

In these last days, we need to be aware of God's presence in our lives. Being ignorant of Him is too high of a price to pay when it comes to our resurrection. Before we were born again, we didn't think smart; we were unaware of God and therefore focused on sin. Accepting Jesus Christ and the blood sacrifice He made for us allows God to begin renewing our minds and our thought processes so that we can think like Him. This changes our lives by changing our mindset. It reveals our true identity as His beautiful children. Staying tuned to what God says about us keeps us from forgetting who we really are—resurrected, redeemed, and righteous.

Notes:

1. Being aware of God and focusing on Him is being smart. Accepting Jesus changes our thinking. Being ignorant of God isn't smart thinking, and not something we can afford.
2. Our old sinful selves, and our old ways of thinking that kept us in bondage to sin, were nailed to the cross with Jesus. The resurrection life Jesus offers us moves us out of sinful ways of thinking, to think like Him.
3. Our identity in Christ is a finished work. However, we're continually growing in the awareness of who we really are. God gives us a new identity, one that has His glory inside of us.
4. In Jesus, we become brand-new beings. Genuine change comes from changing the way we think.
5. Letting sin control our thoughts prevents us from moving forward in life, keeps us going in circles, and perpetuates the curses of the law.

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