# MAXIMIZING MY MIND Level UP: Choosing to Live at a Higher Level

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2 Corinthians 10:3-5

"For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds."

2 Corinthians 10:3-4 (NIV)

**MEMORY VERSE:** "We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we <u>take captive every thought</u> to make it obedient to Christ." **2 Corinthians 10:5 (NIV)** 

1. GUARD YOUR MIND FROM

"A wise person is hungry for truth, while the fool feeds on trash." **Proverbs 15:14 (NLT)** 

"I will not set before my eyes anything that is worthless." Psalm 101:3 (ESV)

# 2. NEVER \_\_\_\_\_ ON LEARNING.

"The mind of a smart person is eager to get knowledge. The wise person listens to learn more." **Proverbs 18:15 (ICB)** 

"Wise men store up knowledge." Proverbs 10:14 (NJKV)

"Those who get wisdom do themselves a favor, and those who love learning will succeed." **Proverbs19:8 (NCV)** 

# 3. \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR THOUGHTS WITH GOD'S WORD.

"The heart is <u>deceitful</u> above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?" Jeremiah 17:9 (NIV)

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things." **Philippians 4:8 (ESV)** 

"You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, whose thoughts <u>are</u> <u>fixed on you</u>!" **Isaiah 26:3 (NLT)** 

# 4. \_\_\_\_\_ THE MAJOR OBJECTIVES FOR YOUR LIFE.

- a. Relationship with God
- b. Happy
- c. Reasonably wealthy
- d. Healthy
- e. Peace of mind
- f. Strong family relationships

"What good would it do to get everything you want and lose you, the real you?" Mark 8:36 (MSG)

### 5. \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR MIND ON WHAT MATTERS MOST BY:

#### a. WRITING DOWN YOUR GOALS

The Lord gave me this answer: "Write down clearly on clay tablets what I reveal to you, so that it can be read at a glance." Habakkuk 2:2 (GNB)

#### **b. ASK THE FIVE QUESTIONS**

- 1. Is it really my goal?
- 2. Is the goal morally right and fair to everyone concerned?
- 3. Will this goal take me closer to or further from my major objectives?
- 4. Can I emotionally commit myself to start and finish this goal?
- 5. Can I see myself reaching this goal?

#### LORD HELP ME MAXIMIZE \_\_\_\_\_!

# MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS:

- I will memorize 2 Corinthians 10:5 (NIV)
- > I will accept Christ for the first time
- > I will join the New Life church family
- > I will sign up for the next baptism
- > I will read the Bible at least 10 minutes a day
- > I will write goals to meet my major objectives

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