

Prayerfully consider the following scriptures and honestly answer all the questions. Remember, you can only be as filled with God as you are willing to be emptied of yourself. If you are completely honest and thorough in your confession, God will completely cleanse and transform your life.

Sins of Thoughts

Turn to 2 Corinthians 10:5

[Inasmuch as we] refute arguments and theories and reasonings and every proud and lofty thing that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God; and we lead every thought and purpose away captive into the obedience of Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One),

Is my mind filled with thoughts of Christ or consumed with earthly issues?

Do I think far more about work or recreation than spiritual growth and serving Christ?

Am I plagued with fearful or angry thoughts?

Write down any sinful thought pattern God brings to your attention. For each one, ask God's forgiveness and trust Him to renew your mind (Romans 12:2). Resolve to take every thought captive to the Lordship of Christ. What specific thoughts should replace the ones that are worldly?

Do lustful, unclean thought frequently occupy my mind?

Am I often filled with unclean thoughts?

Do I watch programs, or movies that stimulate improper thoughts and feelings?

Am I conscious of unclean thoughts or motives?

Do you often have thoughts you would be ashamed for others to know?

If you sense God's conviction, be specific in your confession. Decide how you are going to change your thought to remove the patterns of sin. Be specific about the thought you need to change. It is vital that you replace unclean thoughts with other thoughts that focus on Christ.

Memorizing key scriptures will provide a powerful tool for removing inappropriate thoughts. Every time an unclean thought arises, you can replace it with scripture and a prayer focus on God. If you follow this process, you will soon have a brand-new mind (Romans 12:2)

Psalms 1:2 and Psalm 119:15-16

Based on these scriptures, it is God's will for every believer to saturate his mind with key bible verses. Yes, filling your mind with scripture does not happen by accident. You must make a daily choice to hide God's Word in your heart.

Is it your habit to seriously read and study God's Word daily?

Do you meditate on key verses or does God's Word have little place in your thoughts?

Have you failed to write down key verses that speak to special needs in your life? Filling your mind with Scripture requires a consistent choice. You cannot love God and yet not love His Word. In a very real sense, to neglect God's Word is to neglect God. Confess the sin of failing to fill your mind with scripture.

If you get scripture into your daily thoughts, God will revolutionize your life! Make a personal commitment to embrace a scripture memorization plan.