



**HEAD TRIPS**

**Part One: "A Renewed Mind"**

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*"I urge you...to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will." Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)*

▶ A renewed \_\_\_\_\_ is the secret of a renewed \_\_\_\_\_.

**THE SECRETS OF A \_\_\_\_\_ MIND**

*The un-renewed mind is the \_\_\_\_\_ of our fears and troubles.*

*He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds?" Luke 24:38 (NIV)*

*The un-renewed mind is a \_\_\_\_\_ block.*

*Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men." Matthew 16:23 (NIV)*

*The mind is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the heart.*

*"Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name." Psalm 86:11 (NIV)*

*"For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he..." Proverbs 23:7 (KJV)*

**Two reasons to renew the mind:**

- It \_\_\_\_\_ our lives.
- It enables us to walk in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

**HOW TO RENEW YOUR \_\_\_\_\_**

1. Release yourself in true \_\_\_\_\_.

**Renewed Mind (Cont'd)**

*"They knew God, but they wouldn't worship him as God or even give him thanks...As a result, their minds became dark and confused."*

Rom. 1:21 (NLT)

2. \_\_\_\_\_ the world's way of thinking

*"...Lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted...be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth."*

Ephesians 4:22-24 (NASB)

3. \_\_\_\_\_ your mind with the \_\_\_\_\_ of God

*"This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success." Joshua 1:8 (NKJV)*

*"...But we have the mind of Christ." 1 Corinthians 2:16 (NIV)*

FATHER GOD, I need a renewed mind and a transformed life. I resist every ungodly thought pattern. Reprogram and restructure my mind by your Word. Save me from my sins, and cleanse me of everything that prevents my success. In Christ's Name, AMEN!

**RESOURCES FOR THIS WEEK'S SMALL GROUPS**

**Icebreaker:** What is your favorite flavor of ice cream?

**Scripture Focus:** Let each member share a verse from this teaching--one that spoke to them personally. What does it mean to them?

**Discussion Focus:** What are some "patterns of this world" that we need to resist? How can we do that, beginning tonight?

**Prayer Focus:** Pray for the members of the group to have their minds renewed so their lives can be filled with the perfect will of God.

**REMEMBER** to give an offering for the needy in your group this week, for God has promised us a rich reward (Det. 15:11, Psalm 41:1)