



HEAD TRIPS

Part Four: "A Devoted Mind"

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"Oh, that they had such a [mind and] heart in them always [reverently] to fear Me and keep all My commandments, that it might go well with them and with their children forever!" Deuteronomy 5:29 (AMP)

▶ A _____ mind is foundational to a _____ life.

A _____ IS A TERRIBLE THING TO _____

- *It takes a mind to _____.*

"And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32 (NKJV)

- *It takes a mind to _____.*

"Do not believe everyone who claims to speak by the Spirit. You must test them to see if the spirit they have comes from God. For there are many false prophets in the world." 1 John 4:1 (NLT)

"[The Bereans] received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true." Acts 17:11 (NIV)

- *It takes a mind to _____.*

"Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist... [and] the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." Eph. 6:14, 17 (NIV)

ALIGNING OUR MINDS TO _____

Five Kinds of Minds:

1. A _____ Mind

"Satan...has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ..." 2 Corinthians 4:4 (NLT)

Devoted Mind (Cont'd)

2. A _____ Mind

"Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, these people are enemies of the truth. Their minds are sick, and their faith isn't real." 2 Timothy 3:8 (CEV)

3. A _____ Mind

"And [Jesus] said to them, O foolish ones [sluggish in mind, dull of perception] and slow of heart to believe (adhere to and trust in and rely on) everything that the prophets have spoken!" Luke 24:25 (AMP)

4. A _____ Mind

"An indecisive man is unstable in all his ways." James 1:8 (HCSB)

5. A _____ Mind

"I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who will do according to what is in my heart and mind. I will firmly establish his house." 1 Samuel 2:35 (NIV)

FATHER GOD, I want to have a devoted mind. I want to think like you think, and live like you want me to live. Renew my mind so I can believe, discern and overcome. Cleanse me of anything that blocks your will in my life. In Christ's Name, AMEN!

RESOURCES FOR THIS WEEK'S SMALLGROUPS

Icebreaker: Laughter is a blessing. My last great laugh was when...

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 keys to staying devoted to God?

Prayer Focus: Pray for the members of the group to have their minds renewed and devoted to Christ.

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)