

Message Notes

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A Renewed Mind
Romans 12:2
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- ◆ A renewed mind is _____ to living the way of Jesus for the sake of others.

Do not conform 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 12:2

- ◆ Renewing our minds is the _____ of bringing our thinking, and thus our living, into alignment with God's will.
- ◆ We all have an intellectual _____.
- ◆ Your mind has the power to _____ the course of your life.
- ◆ Our minds are an important topic in the bible and a core _____ in our spiritual formation.
- ◆ Our minds can also be marked and _____ in ungodly ways.
- ◆ Sin's _____ effect is why our salvation entails the renewal of our minds.
- ◆ Do I love the Lord my God with all my _____?
- ◆ A renewed mind is a _____ and calling for every follower of Jesus, whether you've got a PhD or a GED.
- ◆ The _____ of the church's public witness hangs in part on the quality of our minds.

Intellectual Virtues Inventory

Christ calls us to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. What characteristics does a renewed mind possess? Some philosophers, educators, and psychologists use terms like curiosity, humility, attentiveness, thoroughness, and more to identify *intellectual virtues*, or excellencies of *intellectual character*. These are one way of naming the fruit of a mind being renewed by God's Spirit. In this inventory you will be asked to self-reflect on your own intellectual character, identifying areas of strength or deficit within nine particular virtues.

