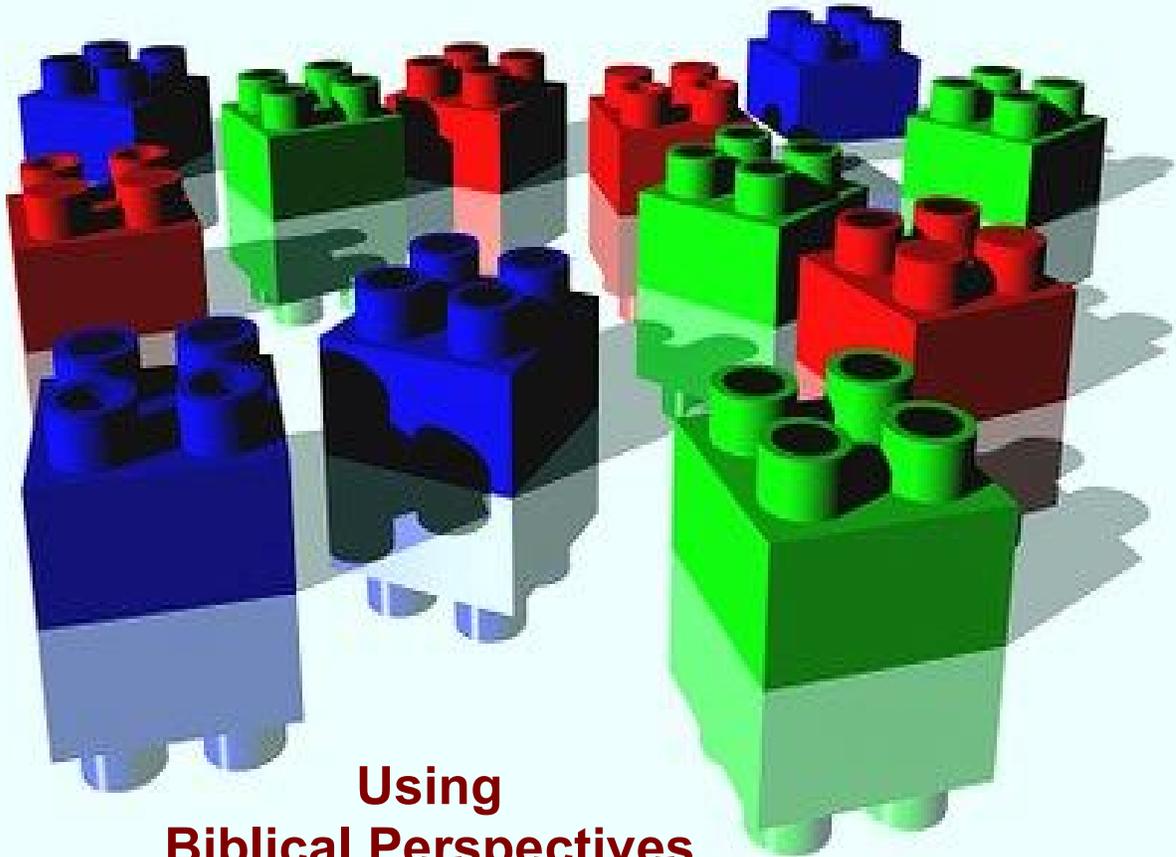


Building A Christian Mindset



**Using
Biblical Perspectives**

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Introduction

A Perspective Is A Mindset. It's How You Think.

The perspectives mentioned in this eBook are spiritual “Building Blocks”. They will give you a mindset that will shape your thinking and change your reality. Each perspective is God sent and anointed so you can establish a way of thinking that honors your Heavenly Father and glorifies the name of Jesus. They are also “Spiritual Vitamins” that will strengthen your faith and shape your destiny.

All of the perspectives must be applied to your daily thought life in order to be of any benefit. Just knowing them will not accomplish any true mindset shift. You must take them to heart and live in them. Make Them Your ***Confession of Faith*** and they will keep you walking in faith and doing God’s will.

I have presented each perspective as my own confession of faith. I look at them often and believe them with my whole heart. I have noticed that this process has indeed caused me to walk in the Spirit, identify evil attacks and snares, and made it easier to discern the Will of God in my daily life.

It is my hope that those that read this eBook will study each perspective and make them their confession of faith too. They are life changing for sure.

We will be discussing many different perspectives. As I mentioned previously, each perspective is a “Building Block” that, when attached to each other, form a Christian Mindset. Listed below is an alphabetical listing of those perspectives. They are Life changing perspectives. If you see one in the Scriptures that I missed email me and I will review it for future additions. Here’s my current list:

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Being Accepted And Loved

Perspective #1... *I Am Loved And Accepted By God.*

What Other Folks Think Just Doesn't Matter. Listen to what it says...

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

Sometimes we get all caught up in what other folks think. We even, at times, strive to fit in by doing things we ought not to have done. The need to be accepted is a powerful strain on our well-being. Once we realize that we are accepted and loved by God, things suddenly change. What others think just doesn't matter. We are free to live out our Christianity as the Holy Spirit directs. Having this mindset liberates us so we can soar like an eagle above all the negativity that life throws at us.

The Enemy of Your Soul

Perspective #2... *The Devil Is An Evil Spirit.*

I will resist the devil and his influence at all times. Here's what Jesus said...

"The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." (John 10:10)

The devil is a real being and he is evil. Jesus refers to him as a thief that comes to kill, steal and destroy. Knowing this gives us a chance to defend ourselves. God will teach our hands to war and give us the weapons to fight the good fight of faith.

I Peter 5:8-9 tells us..."Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world."

The devil will use immorality, drugs, power, fame, riches or anything else he can find to capture us and convince us to do his will. If we know that he is behind a thing, we can protect ourselves before his kill, steal or destroy goals are accomplished.

Spiritual Authority

Perspective #3...*I Have Authority Over Evil Spirits.*

The devil and all his followers were defeated by Jesus and now must obey our commands. Listen again...

"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down imaginations and every high thing that exalts itself above the knowledge of God" (II Corinthians 10:4-7)

Evil spirits are real and they are bent on attacking God's children. They don't want us to manifest the fruit of God's Spirit upon the earth. (See Galatians 5) However, they are not more powerful than Jesus who gave us the keys to His kingdom and said to resist evil and it will flee from you. (I Peter 5:8) Thus we now have authority over evil spirits and they must obey us...as long as we speak the Word of God against them like Jesus did. He used scripture. Remember, the battle is for supremacy over your mind. Our bodies are temples that manifest good or evil.

Our weapons are such that we can cast down lies and imaginations. We actually dispel them by holding them up to the light of the knowledge of God that He has given us. We use the truth to dispel the lie. Thus...when we feel unloved, we take the truth of John 3:16 and speak it to ourselves until it takes root. We speak the scriptures.

God's Peace Decides

Perspective #4...*I Will Allow The Peace of God To Be My Referee In All My Decisions And Life Experiences.*

Listen... *"And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful."* (Colossians 3:15)

This scripture actually encourages us to let the peace of God rule. The peace of God rules by refereeing every situation. He tells us when to proceed and when to back off. If you lose your peace, stop. If your peace remains, proceed. It's not rocket science. It's actually easy as long as you put God's will before yours.

Confusion Is Anti-God

Perspective #5... When I Am Confused, I Will Stop All Decision-Making Activity And Seek The Lord For His Peace And Wisdom. Hear this... Confusion Is Not of God.

"For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints" (I Corinthians 14:33)

Confusion is usually a result of going forward when you have no peace about the situation you are faced with. Realizing that your confusion does not originate with your loving Heavenly Father will shake you back into reality. The sobering fact is... the source of your confusion is most likely YOU, because you did not allow God's peace to rule in the first place. The most important thing to remember when you are confused is to **STOP AND PRAY.**

Fear Is Not From God

Perspective #6... I Will Not Be Afraid Because Fear Is Not From My Heavenly Father.

I Can And Will Overcome Those Things That Frighten Me. Listen...

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." (II Timothy 1:7)

The scriptures tell us that God has not given us a spirit of fear but rather a Spirit of Power, Love and a Sound Mind. Knowing this assures us that when we fear, it comes from an evil source and we are to resist it in the faith and seek the Lord for protection. We are challenged to fight the good fight of Faith. "fear not" ("do not be afraid", "do not fear", "be not afraid", "Fret not") is used over 110 times in the Bible. God is with us so why be afraid?

All Things Work Together

Perspective #7... All Things Will Work Together For My Good.

I Reverence God And Have Been Called By God According To His Purposes. That qualifies me for this promise. This is what it says...

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28)

All things mean all things, no matter how terrible they may be. It does not say that God sent them your way. He is not the enemy. He does no evil. However, He does work evil things together with good things in an effort to nullify the work of evil and ultimately bless you. Say it with me, “Things will work out because God is in the midst of that thing.”

Things Have Reasons

Perspective #8... I Will Not Let Situations That Are Beyond My Control Frustrate Me Or Get Me Angry. Hear Jesus again...

“Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?” Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are ye not much better than they?” (Matthew 6:25-26)

Considering that God works all things together for good, I can relax when things do not go my way, knowing that there is a reason for what is happening. I just don't see it right now. I need to trust in the Lord that He sees and is actively working in my best interest. Keep your cool and let God be God in your life.

****** There Must Be A Reason For That ******

Jesus Is Coming Soon

Perspective #9... I will make myself ready because Jesus Is Coming Soon.

He Will Set Everything In Order And Rid This World of Evil. I Will Look For His Return And I Will Be Ready.

Listen again ... “He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.” (Revelation 22:20)

There is no benefit in vengence or continual hate. Why?, because Jesus is coming soon and when He returns, He will set all things straight. Those that plot in secret to do you harm will be exposed in the light of God's glory to their shame. They will not get away with anything.

Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. (Romans 12:19)

That doesn't mean we can not defend ourselves from an attacker. It does mean that we, when wronged by another, should not take revenge or seek to punish them for their actions. That is God's job.

Angels In Our Midst

Perspective #10... I Can Relax And Feel Safe, Even Though Times Are Getting Worse Because God's Angels Will Protect Me.

Listen to the scriptures... *"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. O taste and see that the Lord"* (Psalm 34:7-9)

The Angel of the Lord actually sets up his camp of warring angels all around you, that is, if you reverence God. Note: all Christians are called according to His purposes. He has called us unto Himself and for His glory. However, not all Christians reverence Him. Some deny His Lordship, divinity, atonement and other fundamentals of the faith. The true nature of their beliefs is not rooted in Christ. If we love Him, we will obey His Word and follow Him in this life. When we do this, He sends His army of angels to deliver us.

Removal of Personal Sin

Perspective #11... I will confess my sins to God, knowing that He will forgive me and cleanse me from all unrighteousness.

This is what the Apostle John said...

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9

Failing to confess your sins to God keeps you from His blessings...not because He rejects you but because you do not feel comfortable in His presence and draw back. It is called "Backsliding". When you ask for forgiveness, you acknowledge your faults and seek to repent. This pleases God and keeps you in His grace. Thus you proceed with a clean heart and a clear conscience.

Rejoice & Be Glad

Perspective # 12... I will rejoice and be glad that I am alive because God made this day just for me.

Hear for yourself... *"This is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."* Psalm 118:24

The Lord has made the day...this is that day. What shall we do with it? We shall rejoice and be glad because He is in control of the day and not the evil one. When I decide to rejoice and be glad, I personify His love and glory in a positive attitude that gives me strength. It's all-good.

A “Can Do” Attitude

Perspective #13...I can do all things through Christ because He gives me strength to do so.

Listen to the Apostle Paul... *“I can do all this through him who gives me strength”*
Philippians 4:13

When we are faced with adversity, hard times, weak faith, doubt, confusion and negative feeling, we can speak forth what obviously does not exist but can if we fight for it. The phrase is, “I can”... I can be happy. I can get well. I can love again. I can, I can... I can do all things through Jesus who gives me strength.

Notice that you do not confess or even try to do anything in your own strength. You focus on Jesus and His strength to get it done or get through the day or change from sad to happy. Your faith is in His power not you abilities.

Finding Rest

Perspective #14... I will rest in the Lord, knowing that the battle is His to Fight and Win.

Listen... *“The LORD will fight for you; you need only to be still.”* Exodus 14:14 That was true for Old Testament saints and it remains true for us.

In a troubled world with uninvited experiences, it can get really hectic. However, if we know God, have seen His power in our lives and really trust in Him, we can rest from the worry, stress, fear, confusion or whatever. God is greater than all of this and He is working all things together for good, Right? Right!



Rest My Child

Rest, my child, sayeth the Lord
Take thy peace and be restored.
I have provided, thy mouth to feed.
From the beginning, I knew your need.

Do not worry, fret or even fear,
For my child, I am always near
To bless thy soul with love and grace,
To be with thee, face to face.

Come, my child, near to my throne.
Do not allow your faith to roam.
For those who will not believe
Can never find rest in times of need.

My Word shall see you through.
My grace I freely give to you
That you should rest, thy soul to keep,
Forever delivered from unbelief.

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Divine Instruction & Counsel

Perspective #15...I will take counsel and daily inspiration from the Bible, God's Holy Word.

II Timothy 3:16 says... "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness" & Psalm 119:105 "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

God gave us His Holy Bible as a life-long resource. We can draw inspiration, faith, hope and power for every situation. If you discount the bible, you sign your own death warrant because that is where you discover the Christ of Calvary.

Remaining In Perfect Peace

Perspective #16... I will strive to keep my mind stayed upon the Lord so I can remain in perfect peace.

“Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee:” Isaiah 26:3

Remaining in perfect peace in a world of terrorism, political unrest, liberalism and the like is really hard. However, staying in the peace of God can be achieved. It takes only a concentrated effort to stay or focus continually on the Lord and His Will for your life. The question is, “*What Now Lord*” Keep asking and He will direct you. You do not have to make decisions on your own. The degree of your success is equal to your dependancy upon the Lord.

Renewal of Strength

Perspective #17... I will wait upon the Lord until my strength is Renewed so I can soar with the wings of eagles, run and not be weary and walk and not faint.

Hear it again... *“But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and walk and not faint” Isaiah 40:31*

It’s fun to soar with eagle’s wings, run and not get tired and walk without being weary. It happens when we wait for strength, direction and power. It’s only then, when we have a goal, a plan of action and a vision, that we can move ahead. It all comes to us from God so we can accomplish His will. Waiting is not so bad.

Every Need Met

Perspective #18... I will seek first the Kingdom of God, knowing that God will supply everything else.

Here’s what 4:19 says, “But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus” Matthew 6:33 & Phillipians 4:19

Seeking the kingdom of God first is a matter of setting priorities in your life. Is He first or are you? Is He the source of your strength and very existence or is it something else? All must come from God. When He is in control, He supplies all that you need and there is no sorrow or torment attached to it.

Opening Heavens Door

Perspectice #19.....I will knock at the door of heaven, seek so I May find and ask that I may receive, knowing that God will open the door, hear my petitions and bless me with whatsoever I ask of Him.

“Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you” “And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive” Matthew 7:7 & Matthew 21:22

We are instructed to **“Knock”, “Seek” and “Ask.”** God wants us to participate with Him in life’s every moment. We are not a robot. We are His children and He loves us and wants to bless us as we participate in His divine plan.

God At Work In Us

Perspectice #20... I will trust always that the good work that God started in me will continue until the day of Jesus Christ.

Phippians 1:6 “Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:”

We can easily get discouraged, feeling that we failed the Lord, our family and even ourselves. The devil is known as the “Accuser of the Brethern.” He will try to cut us down and shame us if possible so we give up on our dreams and visions from God. However, God has not forgotten us. He is still at work causing that initial work that He placed in us to come to maturity. You can trust in Him to bring it forth and keep it alive until Christ comes again...

******* Don’t Ever Give Up *******

Attaining God’s Direction

Prespectice #21... I will acknowledge the Lord in all things and trust in Him that He may direct my paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6 “Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.”

There is only one way to receive direction from God. That is... to acknowledge Him in everything you do...in all your ways. When you do this, you give Him

control and crown Him Lord over your life. It is only then that He can lead you out of all the difficulties and bring you to the still waters where He can restore your soul.

Stopping The Reign of Sin

Perspective # 22... I will not allow my body to be used as a instrument of unrighteousness.

Sin will not reign over my thoughts and actions. *Romans 6:12-12* “*Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.*”.

Body language is a big thing these days. It reveals how you feel or think. If you look hard enough, you’ll see clintched fists, squirming torsos, rolling eyes and so forth. Then there are the vocals that scream out hate and nasty language.

However, we are the temple of the Holy Spirit. We are to reveal His character, one of Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering, Kindness, Temporance etc. Our entire body, every member, is an instruments to sing the praises of God. To do otherwise would be treason against the Most High God. See the fruit of the Spirit and the deeds of the flesh in Galatians 5.

Doing My Best

Perspective #23... Whatsoever I do, I will do heartily as unto the Lord and not unto men.

Colossians 3:23-24 “*And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance.*”

How many of us have seen others doing something for the applause of those around them? There are a lot of folks that give money, volunteer, visit the sick, do church work, etc for the praises of men. We are to do everything unto the Lord and with all our might.

A half-done job is just that. It blesses no one. But when we labor as unto the Lord, He becomes our boss and we rise to the challenge. Our work becomes full of passion and enthusiasm and without grumbling. That’s the way it should be.

Being Filled With God's Spirit

Perspective #24... I will not become a drunkard but will instead be filled With the Spirit of the living God.

Ephesians 5:18 "And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;."

Being filled with the Spirit is a conscious choice. It doesn't just happen to us. If it did, Paul would not have said for us to be filled. I realize that we receive the Holy Spirit at our New Birth and automatically become His temple. However, demonstrating His character every day requires a submission to Him and a fresh infilling or anointing. This is needed because our flesh wars against God's Spirit for control of our minds. The winner gets to reveal the good or evil therein...so we must yield ourselves to the Spirit and receive Him daily.

The Transformation Process

Perspective #25... I will not be conformed unto this world but instead I will be transformed by the renewing of my mind that I may reveal the perfect and acceptable will of God.

Romans 12:2 "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

It seems that we are always in a struggle between good and evil. They fight for our approval and life applications. The World influences us with Power, Fame, Pride and, Riches. It says that we can have it all and be like God, a god unto ourselves. This is far from the truth.

The only way to escape its influence is to be transformed and that can only happen when we consciously renew our minds. How? By staying in the Word (Bible) and let it wash away bad thoughts, negative actions and wrong perspectives.

Giving Thanks

Perspective #26... I will give thanks in everything: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning me.

I Thessalonians 5:18 "In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

God is so good. He is so kind and loving. His desire is to always bless us and not to harm us. He is worthy of our praise and obedience. It is only fitting that we give thanks to Him for all He does for us, even when we are caught in a trial or an evil attack. He will move mountains for us, making ways that do not exist if necessary.

Forgiving Enemies

Perspective #27... I will love my enemies and bless them that curse me and do good to them that hate me.

I will pray for them which despitefully use me and persecute me... that I may be the child of my Father which is in heaven: for He makes His sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.

Matthew 5:44-46 "But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if ye love them, which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?"

Very few people can forgive an enemy or someone that has otherwise hurt them. I do not advocate blind forgiveness. Jesus said we were to forgive 70 X 7 but only when the violator has asked for it. I also feel that we do not have to stick around and hang out with someone who has a past history of offences. We should practice forgiving and going on to bigger and better things. We forgive because our heavenly Father forgave us. That's what the children of God do...they forgive.

Overcoming Evil With Good

Perspective #28...I will not be overcome with evil but will instead overcome evil with good.

Romans 12:21 "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good"

Doing good always overcomes evil because it blesses and builds up the one to whom you do good. On the other hand, evil can only Kill, Steal and Destroy. It will tear down instead of building up...but doing good restores what was broken.

Living By Faith

Perspective #29... I will live out my life here on earth by the faith of the Son of God, who loves me and gave His life for me.

Galatians 2:20 "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

We are not to live this life in our own strength. We are to live it by the faith of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. To do otherwise is to miss the point of our very existence. We, as Christians, are all given a measure of faith. This faith is God's faith. It brings hope, trust, expectations and power. Releasing it is easy. We simply let go of our lives and let Jesus take the wheel. We stand in His faith, not ours. His faith is written on the pages of the Bible in precious promises that become hooks to hang our faith on.

Don't Worry About The Future

Perspective #30... I will take no thought of tomorrow, what I will eat or drink or wear because my Heavenly Father knows that I have need of these things.

Matthew 6:31-34 "Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."

Worry is not cool. It strips us of our faith and binds us up with fear and confusion. The better thing to do is to not care about tomorrow, knowing God has it under control and will walk you into His blessings and keep you out of evil snares. When we trust in the Lord, we also Rest in His grace and look for His provision.



Anger Management

Perspective #31... I will not be quickly provoked in my spirit because anger resides in the bosom of fools and I am not a fool.

Ecclesiastes 7:9 “Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger rests in the bosom of fools.”

Anger is a terrible thing. It can escalate quickly and often ends in violence. There is a good reason why we should not allow it to reside in our hearts. It's because the Bible says anger rests or resides in the bosom of fools. Thus when we hang on to anger, we join the ranks of fools and miss out on the blessings of our Heavenly Father. Then we can not think straight and make poor judgements and mistakes that can be devastating to our future and family. A child of God should crush anger and cast it out of them when it raises its ugly head.

Divine Healing

Perspective #32... I will declare and receive my divine healing from the Lord, knowing that I am healed by His stripes.

“But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed”
Isaiah 53:5 .

*“Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.:
I Peter 2:24*

Isaiah 53 tells us that our healing is in the wounds and bruises inflicted upon Jesus with the “Cat of Nine Tails” whip that was use to beat Him before taking Him to the cross. This whip, the soldier's beating Him, and the crown of thorns cause the wounds and bruises. However, what man did for evil purposes God used to bring about healing to those who receive it. All that is needed is to believe it, confess it and receive it as your promise from God. All of this is based upon the premise that God wants His children well.

Jesus said in John 10:10 that His coming at that time was planned by God to bring “Abundant Life” to His followers. Certainly that includes wellness, not just partially but completely...physically, emotionally, spiritually, economically and every which way....so, call upon the Lord, receive your healing and don't let it go.

Agreeing With God

Perspective #33... I will believe God for things that do not exist, knowing that if He spoke them to me, He will bring them to pass.

“(As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickens the dead, and calleth those things, which be not as though they were.” Romans 4:17

We can take great pleasure in knowing that our Heavenly Father is all-powerful. He actually calls those things that are not in existence as they were in existence. The Biblical example is with Abraham. God said to Abraham that he would be the father of many nations. This “Fatherhood” did not exist, except in the mind of God.

If you read on in Romans 4:17-25 you will see that Abraham did not stagger at God’s word. He believed it and held on to it and saw it come into reality. God will speak a word to us as well. Abraham was not the only receiver of a divine revelation. God’s Holy Spirit will tell you things about you, your family and certain situations. You will know that what God said does not exist but you will be challenged to trust, believe, confess and hold on to them, knowing that God is all-powerful and will, in His time, bring them to pass.

Remember, you do not call forth new cars, money, fame and other stuff. You call into existence what God has said to your spirit.

Fear of Evil Doers

Perspective #34... I will not fret (worry) because of evil doers.

“Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.” Psalm 37:1

We are all about worry, especially now that evil doers are trying to take over our country, turning it into a socialistic society with open borders, imorality, and heavy taxation. But God says that we should not be worried...why is that? Because of what He said in 37:2 *“For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.”*

When we discover that God is all-powerful and that He is on our side, there is no need to fret about anything. We simply trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed. 37:3

Being Happy In The Lord

Perspective #35... I will delight myself in the Lord at all times.

“Delight thyself also in the LORD: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.” Psalm 37:4 Do you want the desires of your heart? Well, start delighting yourself in the Lord.

The word, delight means, a strong feeling of happiness: great pleasure or satisfaction. : something that makes you very happy : something that gives you great pleasure or satisfaction. The result of such actions and feelings is to gain the desires of your heart...not one but many. Delighting in the Lord is to be very happy that you are His child and love Him as He loves you.

Finding Strength In Weakness

Perspective #36... I will glory in my infirmities, knowing that my strength is made perfect in weakness.

“And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.” II Corinthians 12:9

We do not glory that we are afflicted but we do glory that God has chosen to increase our strength in the midst of the infirmity. This action shifts our attention from the trouble to the solution and as we praise God, we gain strength to overcome. It is not His will that we suffer. It is His will to equip us so we can be strong in faith. That's why we look for His hand in the midst of the trouble.

Great & Precious Promises

Perspective #37..... I will search out and claim the exceeding great and precious promises given to me by God so I can apply them and escape the corruption that is in the world and be a partaker in the Divine Nnature of God.

“Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.” II Peter 1:4

God has given us exceeding great and precious promises so we can join Him in His Divine nature and thereby escape the corruption of this world with all its lust. He left it up to us to search for them, discover them and apply them. They are great

and precious. They are also in plain sight, written on the pages of the Bible. Someone once told me that there were over 3,000 promises. Read until you find one of them. Then memorize it, study it and apply it. Each one will change your life.

Relief From Burdens

Perspectgive #38... I will run to the Lord when I an burdened and heavy ladden that I mayfind rest.

“Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” Matthew 11:28-30

Jesus said, “come unto me” and so should we obey...because He is the only one that can take away our burdens, restore our strength and cause us to really rest. If He will do that for me, He will do it for you as well.

Growing In God’s Grace

Perspective #39... I will trust & hope in the Lord that I may grow in His grace and be fruitful.

“Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.” Jeremiah 17:7-8

When God plants you by the waters, you have a continual source to help you to grow in His grace. You don’t wither in the heat. Your roots grow deep, causing stability. Your leaves stay green even in drought...and you yield fruit. This is a picture of an abundant life that is His blessing to all that trust and hope in Him.

Establishing Your Thoughts

Perspective #40... I will commit my works unto the Lord that my thoughts may be established.

“Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established.” Proverbs 16:3

Unestablished thoughts are a breeding ground for confusion. When our minds entertain random thoughts, we become a playground for Satan. He generates

evil thoughts and brings in negative feelings. All of this brings our souls into bondage and takes us away from knowing the Will of God.

Dedicate your thoughts to coincide with what you know to be true from God, and your thoughts will become established or locked in as a rule of practice.

A Way Where There Is No Way

Perspective #41... I will look for a way when there is no way to be found, knowing that God will make a way for me.

God will always make a way for His children. Listen to what the scriptures say...

“And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left. Isaiah 30:21

“Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters;” Isaiah 43:16

“I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no saviour. ¹² I have ... shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert”.
Isaiah 43:11

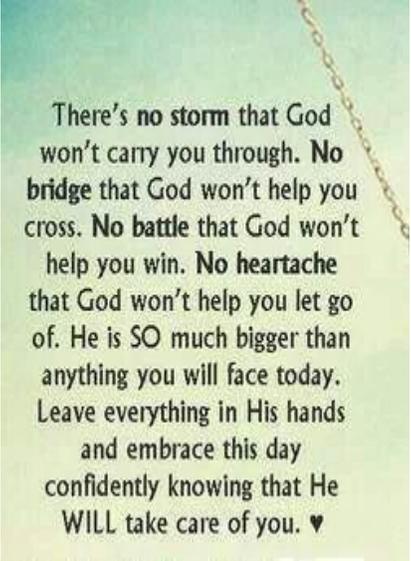
“There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is ... with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.”
I Corinthians 10:13

No matter what your situation is, God will make a way.

When faced with a sea that is about to overwhelm you or the desert of despair or temptation, God will be there for you to show you the way out.

He will even make a way where there is no way, just like He did with the children of Israel when they were caught between the armies of Pharaoh and the Red Sea.

He made a way through the sea so they could escape on dry land. God is no respecter of persons. That means.... if He did such a thing for them, He will also do it for you.



There's no storm that God won't carry you through. **No** bridge that God won't help you cross. **No** battle that God won't help you win. **No** heartache that God won't help you let go of. He is SO much bigger than anything you will face today. Leave everything in His hands and embrace this day confidently knowing that He WILL take care of you. ♥

The Greatest Perspective of All

Is Knowing That You Have Eternal Life

And Will Dwell In The House of The Lord Forever

There are many Christians that doubt their salvation. Some have told me that they can never really know for sure. Others put their hops in a church membership or a particular religion. Still others tell me that they are good, never hurt anyone and this should qualify them for eternal life.

How can we know for sure? It is very important because this is the greatest mindset ever established. It is how you will think and act over the course of your life.

The Bible is the only source of truth that can be trusted. Here is where we turn to find help. Listed below are a few scriptures that will clarify how a person gets saved and why it is necessary:

1. **Salvation is a gift of God...**” For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.” Ephesians 2:8-9.
2. **Salvation is offered to whosoever believes...** “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” John 3:16
3. **Salvation requires repentance...** “I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.” —Luke 13:3
4. **Salvation can only be attained through Jesus...** “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is no other name under heaven given among men, by which we must be saved.” Acts 4:12

Salvation is necessary because man has a fallen nature and is spiritually dead. This is because of sin. Hear what the scriptures say, “And you has he made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins.” Ephesians 2:1 Hear some more about this...

- “Wherefore, as by one man, sin entered into the world and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.” Romans 5:12
- “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” Romans 6:23
- “As it is written, there is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understands, there is none that seeketh after God. They are all gone out of

the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.” Romans 3:10-12

Man is in need of a savior and God sent His only Son to be that Savior. He died for us and better yet to live for us so we can live with Him. *“For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.” Romans 5:10*

So, what do you think? Are you in need of a Savior? Read Romans 10:10. It is with the heart that we believe unto righteousness and with the mouth that we confess our salvation. It’s that simple.

“For with the heart man believes unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.” Romans 10:10

Conclusion

Life’s battles are fought and won...or lost...in the mind. It is not always what happens to you that causes the most damage but how you react to what has happened. How you think is more important than what you are going through.

If you can develop a Christian mindset, it will see you through in times of distress. If you have a clear, more importantly, right perspective, you can overcome anything that befalls you.

As we read the scriptures, we see the “Hand of God” moving in the lives of those that believe and trust in Him. What we are seeing is one or more of these perspectives being applied to life situations.

If you believe and trust in the Lord, you will also see the “Hand of God” moving in your life. Just look for the perspective being applied.

I realize that it might be hard to memorize all the scriptures presented and to remember all the perspectives. However, you have to start somewhere to get somewhere.

I suggest that you start with these three building blocks: *God’s Peace Decides, Fear Is Not of God and Spiritual Authority* and then let the Holy Spirit lead you to three more until you master them all. The Apostle Paul said to Timothy back in the 1st century...

“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.” II Timothy 2:15 That’s good advice for us today as well.

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