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WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE



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OBJECTIVES

- Do your thoughts matter?
- Can thoughts influence your faith?
- What are your eyes focused on?
- What takes away our focus?
- How to keep our focus on good & on God

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What Did YOU think about today?

- Was it positive?
- Was it negative?
- Did it help you or hurt you?
- Did it increase your faith or subtract from it?



Your life today is a result of your thinking yesterday. Your life tomorrow will be determined by what you think today.

John C. Maxwell

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Thoughts

World's Mindset (View)

- MARRIAGE- try it before you buy it, outdated
- ABORTION- woman's choice
- disciplining children- shouldn't happen
- TATTOOS-your body, your choice
- REVENGE-do unto others before they do unto you- best served cold
- SUCCESS- do whatever it takes
- LOVE OF MONEY- more money, better
- 2ND CHANCES-good for some people

God's Mindset (View)

- MARRIAGE- God ordained between a man & woman
- ABORTION- murder
- DISCIPLINING CHILDREN-spare the rod, spoil the child (meaning the child is rotten; not good)
- TATTOOS-body is the temple of God
- REVENGE-turn the other cheek
- SUCCESS- Josh 1:8
- LOVE OF MONEY-root of all evil
- 2nd CHANCES -when a man is in Christ, he is a new creature, all things are passed away & behold all things become new.

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SCRIPTURES

[Rom 12:2 KJV] 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.

[Phl 4:8 KJV] 8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things [are] honest, whatsoever things [are] just, whatsoever things [are] pure, whatsoever things [are] lovely, whatsoever things [are] of good report; if [there be] any virtue, and if [there be] any praise, think on these things.

[2Co 10:5 KJV] 5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

[Col 3:2-5 KJV] 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, [who is] our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. 5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

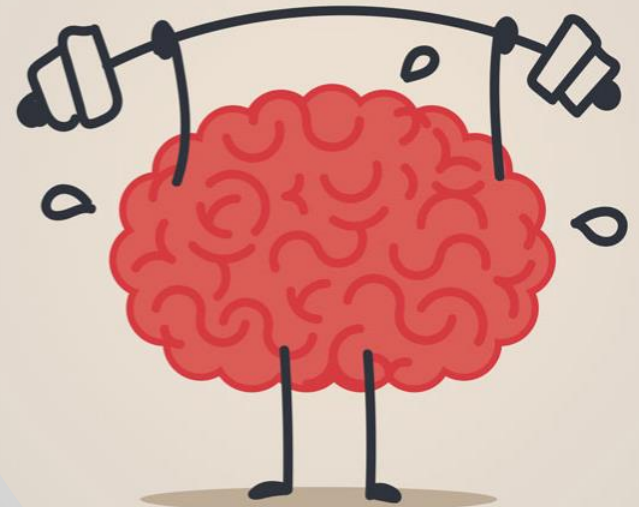
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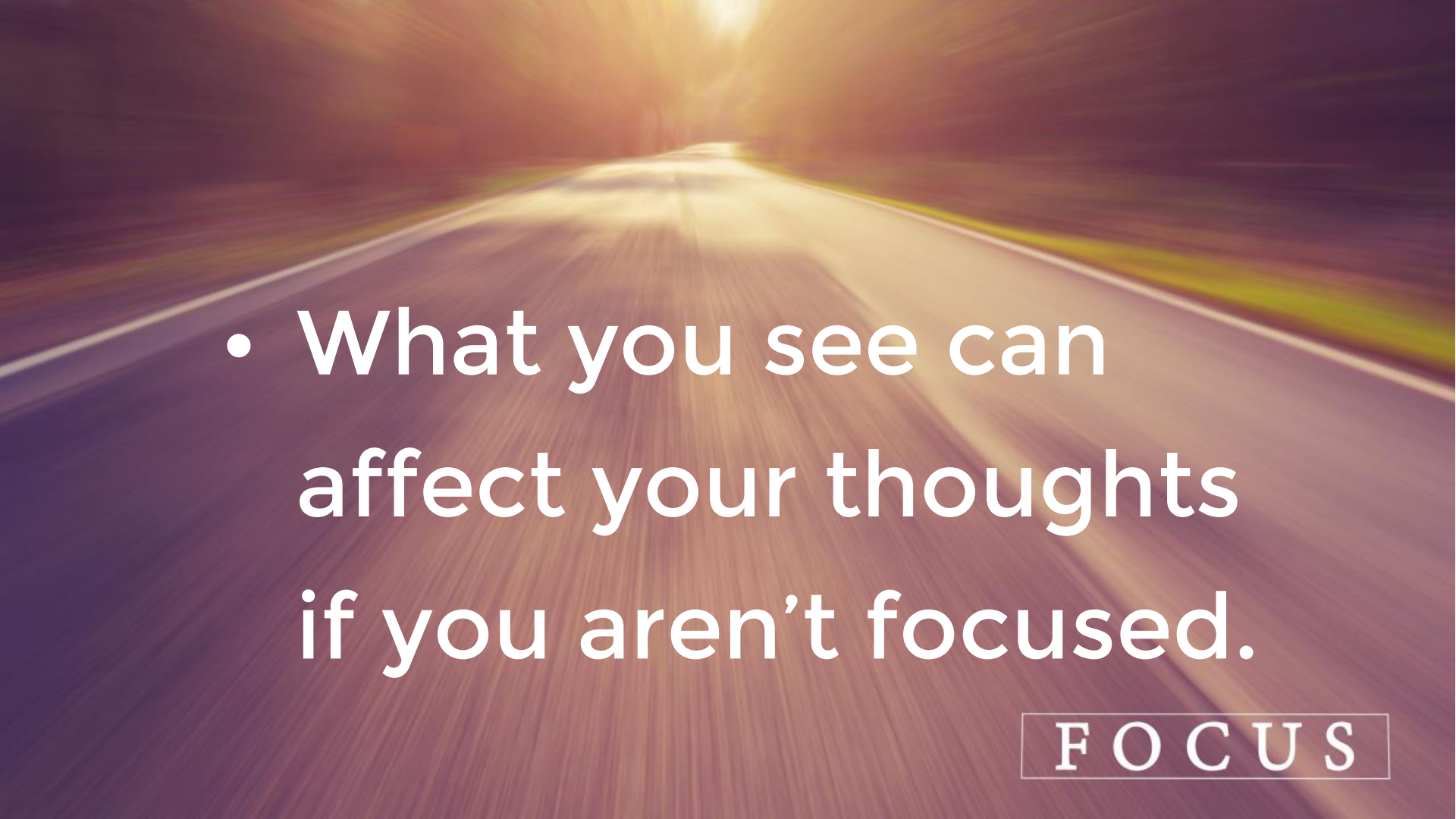
[Pro 23:7 KJV] 7 For as he thinketh in his heart, so [is] he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart [is] not with thee

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Train & Renew Your Mind

- Recognize- 2 Cor 10:5
- Replace- Phil 4:8
- Accountability-Col 3:2-3



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- What you see can affect your thoughts if you aren't focused.

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Matt 14:22-31

- [Mat 14:22-31 KJV] 22 And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away. 23 And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone. 24 But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary. 25 And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea. 26 And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear. 27 But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. 28 And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water. 29 And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. 31 And immediately Jesus stretched forth [his] hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?

DISTRACTIONS

- Whatever the enemy can't destroy, he will try and distract.
- Starve your distraction & feed your focus! (focus on Christ)



Peter let fear, distraction & doubt cause him to lose focus.

We all tend to do the same when we become overwhelmed, anxious and unsure of what to do. Keeping our mind and our eyes fixed on Jesus is THE ONLY THING that will guarantee our success and victory in every season.

Jehosophat was dealing with being overwhelmed by armies on every side- and he prayed and said I don't know what to do but my eyes are fixed on you.

We need to determine that we will focus our minds and our eyes on Christ and what HIS thoughts are desires are so that we can continue to do HIS will!

[Psa 121:1-2 NIV] 1 I lift up my eyes to the mountains--where does my help come from? 2 My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

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RECAP

TIME FOR

REVIEW

- Do your thoughts matter? YES
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- What are your eyes focused on?
- What takes away our focus? Fear, distraction & doubt
- How to keep our focus on good & on God-recognize, replace and be accountable-
starve distraction & feed focus



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HAVE A GREAT WEEK