Perception

We all have it. We all perceive things either by the influence of the Holy Spirit or by the influence of satan's spirit. None of us have original thoughts. Every thought we think comes from the spiritual realm. Every action that man does comes from those thoughts. Jesus came to the earth to die for our sins. Almost every one knows this, but few people have known that He came to give to mankind thoughts to think. These thoughts come from God the Father. Meditate on these Scripture verses, and you will see what I mean.

John 3:31, 34-35 KJV He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly,

and speaketh of the earth: He that cometh from Heaven is above all. [34] For He whom God

hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto Him.

[35] The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into His hand.

As we listen to words, thoughts are produced. These thoughts start connecting together and produce our view of the world, or our perception. Jesus was the only Man on the earth that thought only from His Father's perspective. Our perception has been molded by thoughts that come from our parents and certain groups of society. For instance, I've wondered for many years how people can be so divided in the political realm in America. Basically we have two ruling parties-the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. Each of these parties tries to persuade people to join with them in producing their desires. Whichever party your father and mother were connected to, most likely you grew up and became what they were. If your parents were Republicans, nobody could talk you out of being a Republican. If your parents were Democrats, nobody could talk you out of being a Democrat.

When I was about 30 years old, I started meditating heavily in the Bible; and it turned my world completely around. Early on in my study of the Bible, I came to the conclusion that if man does not study the Bible and receive the thoughts of Jesus as their own, they will be deceived by the devil.

John 8:31-32 KJV Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, If ye continue in My

word, then are ye My disciples indeed; [32] And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make

you free.

Philippians 4:8 KJV 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.

Mankind does not think thoughts on his own. We think thoughts of God or thoughts of the devil. Just because you're a Christian doesn't mean you are going to think like

God. In our modern world we live in, so many people think that the Bible is an out-dated book, and that anybody that reads it is out of touch with reality. There is a push by certain groups today to stop Bible teaching. When public schools were started in America, the Bible was the text book that the students learned to read by. In America in the 1960's, it was taken out of public schools. Teachers could no longer teach from the Bible. Satan knew he could rule man if man didn't read and study the Bible.

If you haven't become addicted to the Bible, I challenge you today to start taking time in your day to read and study the greatest Book that has ever been written. After you study the Bible for a few weeks, you will find yourself rejecting things that you had thought were fine. God's thoughts will become your thoughts. You will think differently and start experiencing Heaven on the earth. Now let me warn you...when you start thinking differently you will act differently which will cause some people to reject you. Don't be too concerned about that though, because God will receive you.

Till next week. We love you, Pastor Paul & LeJeune