The Purpose of the Conquest of the Mind by Elbert Willis

God has commissioned you and I to bring our minds under the control of the Holy Spirit of the Living God for the purpose of living and walking in the victory that God has ordained before the foundation of the world. You and I are not just children of man, we are children of God. God actually lives in us, in the presence of Jesus Christ, His Son, enabling us to have our minds renewed. We can talk different, walk different, think, different, and act different in everything.

I. Erase Satan's Programming.

a. One of the purposes of this reprogramming is to Erase Satan's programming. Romans 8:7, "The carnal mind is enmity against God." Romans 12:2 must come into existence if you are going to prove what is the good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. You will never find it for your life unless your mind is renewed by the Word of God. The carnal, fleshly, and/or earthly mind, is enmity to God. The first time I read Philippians 4:4, "Rejoice in the Lord always…," my mind was at enmity against God. Any time your mind does not accept the Word of God, and wants to debate it, discuss it, argue with it, or water it down, your mind is the enemy of God. It ought not be that way. God has placed His mighty Spirit in you to help you endure. We have to erase Satan's programming.

II. Destroy Satan's Control Ability.

a. The purpose of the conquest of the mind is to enable you to destroy Satan's control ability through prior programming and sense stimulation. You need to destroy his ability to control you. Do you know Satan can still control most people with anger? Do you know that he can use fear today to shake up most Christians? He can stimulate people with a mere accident. He can stimulate people with the thought of the loss of a job and take them over and cause them to begin to speak death and think death. He can stimulate people by having somebody say something against them that touches their feelings and causes them to get angry. He can stimulate people with frustration and confusion. If he does this, he can control them. Saints of God, you have the power in you to destroy Satan's ability to control you. I John 4:4 says, "Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world."

III. Establish a communication Language.

a. The Bible is the language of God, and as long as your mind is filled with the language of the world and the language of society, you don't have the language of the Holy Spirit of God to communicate the truth to you. God will always speak to you in line with His Word.

IV. Increase your ability to obey the Word of God.

a. James 2:17 says, "Faith, if it hath not works, is dead being alone." The reason why so many times you can't obey the Word of God and follow through with it, is because your mind has not been renewed by the Word of God. God may give you some instructions that seem so peculiar. If you don't know the Word of God you will not be able to obey them. If you don't' know how to recognize His voice, you can't obey it.

V. Frees You from Condemnation.

a. Romans 8:1 says, “There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit.” Many Christians quote this scripture. Satan condemns, but God convicts. Many times the reason why people are under condemnations is because God convicted them to do something, and they disobeyed Him. Disobedience then opened the door for the devil to condemn them. God says, “He who puts his hand to the plow and looks back, is not fit for the Kingdom of God” (Luke 9:62). Before you get your hand set on the plow real good, you better consider.

VI. It Eliminates Demon Effectiveness.

a. If, your mind is not renewed with the Word of God, you don’t understand the Word of God, you’re not meditating on the Word of God, or you are not studying the Word of God, then you are an open door for demonic influence. Beloved, through the renewal of the mind, there is victory for you in Jesus! You cannot be under condemnation when you have victory.

VII. Decrease the possibility of Deception.

a. When your mind is renewed by the Word of God, there is an abundance of Word in your mind. Every time the devil comes against you, you quote a Scripture back at him! Knowledge of the Word of God will decrease the possibility of deception.

VIII. Increases Guidance.

a. Remember, we are considering the purpose of renewal, or conquest of the mind. 2 Peter 2:9 says, “The Lord knoweth how to deliver the Godly out of temptations.” That is guidance. As your mind is renewed and you come into a deeper understanding of the Word of God, you will receive more from Him. Meditate on it. As you begin to learn the mind of God, you place yourself in a position where God can guide you more.

IX. Proper Judgments.

a. The Word of God, not the five senses, determines who you are, what you are to do, your blessings, etc. 2 Corinthians 2:15 says, “He that is spiritual judgeth all things. Yet he himself is judged of no man.” When the Word of God renews your mind, you have proper judgment. You will not judge things by your senses (by what you see, or what you feel, or what you hear, your taste or you touch), you will judge everything by the Word of God.

X. It Enables you to Endure Bombardment of the Mind.

a. If your mind is not renewed by the Word of God, the devil will bombard you, the demons will bombard you, people will bombard you, and circumstances and situations will put so much pressure on you, you will not be able to stand. Hebrews 12:3 says, “Consider Him (Jesus) that endured such contradiction of sinners against Himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.” Your mind must be renewed by the Word of God. You must learn the Word and how to hold to the Word. If your mind is not renewed by the Word of God, the devil and his demons will come against you and cause you to be defeated. When your mind is renewed by the Word of God, the devil, demons, people, circumstances and situations may put pressure on you, but you will make the proper judgment. You will say, “Praise God, He that is in me is greater than he that is in the world. I’m more than a conqueror in Christ Jesus!”