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Hebrews: Living in the
New Covenant Reality, Part 2



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This month, we're continuing our study of Hebrews. This is absolutely essential if you want to operate in the New Covenant grace Jesus purchased for us. Hebrews is a radical book and contrary to modern-day Christianity, where many still live under the Old Covenant and haven't entered into the freedom and the liberty available through Jesus in the New Covenant. That's really the heart of it.

The eleventh chapter of Hebrews is known as the "Hall of Faith" because it shows the extraordinary exploits of many people in the Old Testament. The key takeaway from each example is that it wasn't just about their physical actions, but their heart attitude of faith. So, even under the Old Covenant, it was faith that was the victory that overcame the world, not just performance. As 1 John 5:4 says, *"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."*

Abraham and Sarah's story is a prime example of this. The scripture below is one of the most important things that I've ever seen in the Word of God, and it has literally changed my life.

And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

Hebrews 11:15

This verse has deeply impacted my understanding and highlights a profound truth: you cannot be tempted by something you don't think about. Abraham and Sarah didn't dwell on returning to their old life; therefore, they weren't tempted to go back. They were focused on what lay ahead, not what they left behind.

Many people find themselves constantly battling temptation because they let their minds dwell on things they should avoid. They end up struggling, trying to hold on and plead with God to hold them steady so that they'll last. But it's because they

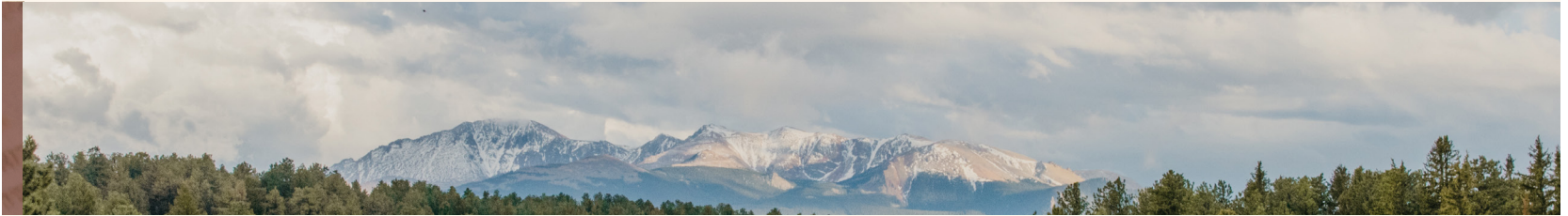
shouldn't have ever been thinking that way in the first place. You won't be tempted with something if you don't think about it. For instance, I've dealt with a lot of Christian men who struggled with lust, largely because they viewed pornography. They thought of it as harmless because they were just looking. But even this "just looking" involves thinking about things that lead to greater temptation.

Jesus made it clear in Matthew 5:28 that lustful thoughts are equivalent to committing adultery. Sin begins in our minds. James 1:15 says, *"Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."*

Sin doesn't strike us unexpectedly; it starts with our thoughts. But if we guard our minds and avoid thinking about such things, we won't be tempted by them. This principle applies to all areas of our lives. For example, if someone is worried about their health, they might struggle with fear because they focus on the negative possibilities instead of standing on God's promises, such as Psalm 118:17: *"I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD."* You see, God's Word is full of promises of healing and wholeness (Ps. 103:2-3 and 1 Pet. 2:24). We just need to focus on God's promises rather than our fears.

I recall a time when I was an enthusiastic young believer, passionately sharing my faith wherever I went. At age eighteen, I had a profound encounter with God that transformed my life. I became intensely devoted, which led me to join a group traveling to hear Billy Graham speak in Switzerland. During a stop in New York City, I found myself in Times Square, witnessing to anyone who would listen. I encountered many people, including a group of prostitutes, whom I shared tracts with. At the time, I didn't fully grasp the reality of their situation, so I wasn't even tempted by it because I didn't think that way. My focus was on spreading the Gospel, not on what I was surrounded by.

In the same way, when Abraham was tested by God to offer up his son Isaac, he didn't dwell on the potential losses or challenges he saw in the natural. His faith



was so strong that he trusted God to raise Isaac from the dead if necessary. I don't believe God ever truly wanted Isaac as a physical sacrifice—He simply wanted Abraham's complete trust and willingness to obey.

What an encouraging example to fix our eyes on God's promises rather than our fears or doubts. This is mirrored in Romans 8:6, where it says, "For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." Being spiritually minded means letting God's Word guide your thoughts and actions, rather than being controlled by your senses or life's uncertainties.

You know, when God touched my life, I became so focused on Him that I went about twenty years without even watching TV. Sure, I missed out on a lot of American and pop culture, but I didn't miss anything that truly mattered. I haven't dealt with depression, serious sickness, or poverty. Instead, I've witnessed incredible miracles and lives transformed by the Word of God. My point is, while you might miss some worldly things by focusing on God, the tradeoff is a life overflowing with spiritual fruit and divine encounters.

If you're struggling with faith, healing, or any other issue, it often comes down to what you are focusing on. Are you giving place to doubts and fears, or are you holding fast to God's promises? God's Word is an incorruptible seed (1 Pet. 1:23) that will produce results if you let it grow in your heart. Your part is to nurture that seed by fixing your thoughts on God's truth. If you're not seeing results, it might be because you're letting contrary thoughts undermine your faith.

We need to remember that faith is not a feeling but a choice—a choice to focus on God's promises, to ignore the distractions and doubts, and to live with the assurance that what He has promised, He is also able to perform

(Rom. 4:20–21). Whether we face personal challenges or global uncertainties, our focus on God's Word will keep us anchored in faith, peace, and strength.

I want you to experience the full freedom of the New Covenant and understand the power of faith. This article is just a starting point, so I encourage you to get my full teaching, titled *Hebrews: Living in the New Covenant Reality*. I believe it'll help you overcome temptations and truly embrace the freedom Christ offers.

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Moving Past Disappointment

God's Never the Problem; He's Always Our Answer

Disappointment is an inevitable part of life. Whether it's unmet expectations, unanswered prayers, or the disbelief of those around us, disappointment can lead us to back off from the Word of God and lose sight of His promises. So how do we move past disappointment and realign ourselves with God's truth?

The first step is to get our focus on the Word. Let's look at Jesus' words in John 14:12:

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

Getting our minds fixed on this powerful truth helps us remember who we are in Christ. We only have two choices when disappointment comes: we can either turn to God's Word and believe it or turn away and reject it. God once told me during a difficult family time, "Daniel, you either believe My Word or you don't." I don't know about you, but I'm choosing to believe the Word and focus on that instead of circumstances.

Next, we need to surrender our hearts and cast our cares onto the Lord. That's what Jesus did in the Garden of Gethsemane when his three closest friends fell asleep and failed to pray (Mark 14:37). Jesus did not want to endure what was to come, but He chose to submit His soul to the will of God and cast His cares upon the Father.

How did Jesus do this? Well, He prayed a prayer of consecration, repeatedly praying and surrendering His will to God until He was fully aligned with the Father's plan (Mark 14:36). This is a powerful lesson for us. The prayer of consecration deals with the heart at a core level, and we need to keep submitting and yielding our hearts to God until our souls align with His Word.

But as I often say, sometimes there's a fight to delight. It can be a fight to shut out distractions or fear and focus solely on God and His Word. Jesus was such a man of prayer that He often spent entire nights praying to the Father and fellowshiping with Him, preparing His heart to deal with the challenges of the next day. Following Jesus' example—by spending quality time with God and in His Word—will make a big difference in your life.

I want to encourage you, don't get stuck in disappointment! Instead, come boldly to the throne of grace as you surrender your heart and cast your cares on the Lord (1 Pet. 5:7). That will allow the Spirit and the Word to work together within you, bringing the transformation your soul needs to move forward and be of good cheer!



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If you were blessed by this teaching, join Daniel Amstutz at Evangel Temple, 4190 Yonge St, North York, ON M2P 1N9 on November 2nd for the 2024 **Healing is Here Canada conference.**

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Isaiah 53:5 states, "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." These are just two of many scriptures that clearly indicate it is God's will to heal us. In fact, they assure us that healing is already an accomplished work, rooted in the atonement of Jesus Christ. So we invite you to come and seek not just healing, but the Healer Himself, who provides peace, direction, and strength in every season of your life.

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This event is for everyone—whether you're seeking healing for yourself, praying for a loved one, or simply wishing to deepen your relationship with God. You will experience:

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- Teachings that illuminate the path to healing.
- Prayer that invites the Holy Spirit to move in your life.
- Community with fellow believers who share your journey of faith.

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My desire is that Free Indeed would help believers discover a true, joy-filled relationship with God that would transform them, their families, and their futures. I believe the abundant life that Jesus promised is possible and available to those who receive His freedom.

— Barry Bennett



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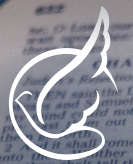


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