Training For The Battle Pt15

The Battleground Of The Mind Pt3

ROMANS 12:2a

2a. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind,

POWER OF TRANSFORMATION [65-1031M]

To be transformed is "to be changed and made something different." Like a--a tadpole, it's transformed from a tadpole to a frog. See, once, he looked like a catfish, he swims around, he's--he's got a head and his tail, and everything looks just like a--a catfish. Then, after a while, he begins to lose, he loses the tail, and he's--he's transformed from one specie to another. I think that's what Paul must have had in mind, when he said, "Be ye transformed by the--by the renewing."

POWER OF TRANSFORMATION [65-1031M]

"Renewing of your mind." The things that you once thought upon, to be precious, lay that aside and be transformed to something else; what you was one time, to what you are now. See?

THE GREATEST BATTLE EVER FOUGHT [62-0311]

What can you do? <u>Open your mind</u>. What am I trying to tell you this morning? The Word of the Lord. See? <u>Open your mind</u>, say, "Now, you know, I do believe I can be healed." Well, what is It, then? Is It the Word of the Lord? Sure, It's the Word of the Lord.

ONCE MORE [63-0804A]

...if you'll just open your mind to the Word, you'll see it's the Truth.

CHRIST [55-0221]

Just <u>open up your mind</u> one time and think a little while for yourself, and don't take so many other peoples word about it. See? <u>Take God's Word about it</u>.

THE GREATEST BATTLE EVER FOUGHT [62-0311]

...let the Spirit come into your heart. Open up your mind, say, "Thy Word is true."

ACTS 17:10-11

10. And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews.

11. These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all <u>readiness of mind</u>, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

I TIMOTHY 4:1

1. Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to <u>seducing spirits</u>, and doctrines of devils;

ENTICING SPIRITS [55-0724]

I want to take a text this morning at, "Enticing Spirits Or The Word of God."

LUKE 14:31-33

31. Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? 32. Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace. 33. So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.

ENTICING SPIRITS [55-0724]

I want to speak on Enticing Spirits, which is, would be really titled Demonology. You hear so much about demons of these days, but you hear so little about how to get rid of it. We all are well aware that there's devils, but the next thing is how to get rid of that thing.

PRESUMING [62-0117]

Now, if that hunger is in there, you can never get it by blighting your mind.

You know, I heard someone was in a meeting here, some time ago. Someone said, "<u>Just let your mind go blank now</u>. Just look right straight up towards the skies. <u>Let your mind go blank</u>. You'll get an experience." And no doubt but what you do. That's right. But, you get an experience, but what an experience? You see, when you do that, <u>you just open your soul to Satan</u>. He'll give you something. That's true.

But, I think, a person coming to Christ should come with all the intelligence they got, and quoting in their mind, when they come to Him, every promise in the Scripture. **Keep your mind alert**, when you come to Christ. **Don't let it go blank. The devil will make you do anything**. See? They'll give you a sensation. He can do that, too. But you want an experience, something that the Bible teaches, something that's real.

Then they go away, presuming, "Well, a little nerve shook. I saw a light before me," or—or something like that. "I got It." And they never live any different. They go right on out. Many of them come up and say, "Yes, I recite this creed. I believe that I'm all right, now." Now, you presume you're all right. You just think you are.

PRESUMING [62-0117]

And people go, believing that. Say, "Well, I presume now that I got it. I had a funny feeling, you see. Or, I—I really did. I...cold chills run all over me." Yeah.

Some of them said, "Well, it even made me cry." I did, at my mother's funeral, but, still, that didn't have anything to do with That, the Holy Ghost.

The Holy Ghost is the power of God that's sent you, into the heart, as a witness of the Spirit. You're born again. Your life is cleaned up. The world is dead, and all the stink of it. Is like the garlic in Egypt, see, you're far away from it. You're a new creature in Christ Jesus. Old things has passed away. You become a new, altogether, a new creation, born of the Spirit. Yes, sir. Your whole members of your body submissive to His Spirit, and you're moving in the Holy Ghost, and not listening to the sound of the world. Your eyes are on Heavenly things. That, that's—that's when you really have...God is vindicating the—the thing.

GOD HAS A PROVIDED LAMB [64-0620E]

<u>Don't let your mind go dormant</u>, as people says. Don't do that. You don't come to God, haphazardly. You come to Him, intelligently, with His Word. You bring the Word before you, and say, "Lord, You made the promise."

ENTICING SPIRITS [55-0724]

There's a weakness, because they've gone out after man's doctrine and <u>enticing</u> spirits instead of coming back to the Word of God.

ENTICING SPIRITS [55-0724]

So many people are listening to <u>enticing spirits</u> and <u>instead of taking the Word of God</u>.

ENTICING SPIRITS [55-0724]

What is it? It's <u>enticing spirits</u> coming down <u>trying to</u> subs--<u>substitute something for</u> the Word of God.

ENTICING SPIRITS [55-0724]

...it's demon possession and you're listening to enticing spirits that's telling you that's all right. But it's a lie.

THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB [62-0121E]

So many says, "If the Lord will take this evil spirit from me, from drinking, or from gambling, or from lying, or stealing, I'll serve Him."

But that's up to you. See, you got to do something, too. "They that overcome shall inherit all things." They that overcome. You have power to do it, but you must be willing to lay it down. See? "She has made Herself ready." I like that Word.

You see, God could not push us through a little pipe, pull us out on the other end, and then saying, "Blessed is he that overcometh." You had nothing to overcome; He just pushed you through. But you've got to make decisions for yourself. I have to make decisions for myself. In doing that, we show our faith and respects to God.

THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB [62-0121E]

<u>We must lay them aside, ourself</u>. We can't say, "God, You come, lay them aside for us." <u>We got to do that, ourselves</u>.

ENTICING SPIRITS [55-0724]

Enticing spirits versing the Word of God. Let loose; let go. "How do you do it, Brother Branham?" Just let go; that's all you have to do. <u>Take God's Word</u>. Don't try to work up nothing. Don't get down at the altar and beat and holler, "Lord, give me the Holy Ghost. Lord, give me the Holy Ghost." He ain't coming with you beating on that altar. That don't do you no good. No, that ain't the way He comes. <u>It's taking Him at His</u> Word.

POWER OF TRANSFORMATION [65-1031M]

"...by the renewing of your mind", to obey the Word of God, regardless of what the price is.

THE QUEEN OF SHEBA [60-0710]

You've got to forsake everything, and you have to make your choice now. Are you ready to forsake everything to follow after Him? If God goes to putting a thirst in your heart, you'll forsake everything in the world. I walked away from my own father and mother, a home. I got a wife and three children setting right out there now. If they would tell me, "No more preaching," I'd walk right straight away from home, yes, sir, as much as I love them, die for them right here easily. But **Christ is all**.

JUST ONE MORE TIME LORD [63-0120E]

You can't serve two gods at the same time. **Are you ready to forsake everything, to serve God**?