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earth.

2. Bill Johnson gave an excellent example of this in his book, “The Power of a Transformed Mind,” *“An unrenewed mind is like a discordant key on a piano. Once you discover that key, you don’t use it anymore because it detracts from the music. You skip over it and work around it, In the same way, people who are out of sync with the mind of Christ seldom get used, no matter how available they are, because their thoughts conflict with the mind of Christ.”*
 - a. The problem seems to be that they are self-appointed in their mission and are not in submission to the primary mission.
 - b. As a result, they are working entirely outside God’s intended commission.
- C. However, on the other side of the coin, when we come into agreement with God’s primary mission, our minds become powerful tools in God’s Kingdom.
 1. This explains why there is such an intense war being waged for the believer’s mind and their agreement.
 2. The simple but yet profound truth is; every thought and resulting action represents your allegiance to God or Satan, and both are empowered by your agreement.
 - a. Where does this “agreement” take place? In the mind of man!
 3. One of the many benefits of the renewing of our mind is the ability to recognize what thoughts come from the kingdom of hell and what thoughts comes from heaven, and then agreeing with heaven.

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“THE HOUSE OF GOD UNDER THE OPEN HEAVEN”

“THE WAR FOR YOUR MIND”

XIV. God has made our minds one of the most wonderful and powerful tools in

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His universe, but our soul needs to be sanctified and yielded to our spirit person.

- A. In order for the believer to complete God's cycle our spirit must be yielded to the Holy Spirit in order that we may know the mind of God.
 - 1. The Bible says in 1 Corinthians 2:14: **“But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them because they are spiritually appraised.”**
 - 2. A natural believing man is a man with an unrenewed mind, and in his mind he will: **“...exchange the truth of God for a lie and worship and serve the creature (mankind) rather than the Creator.....”** (Romans 1:25).
 - a. The result of an unrenewed mind is found in Romans 1:22: **“Claiming to be wise, they became fools – professing to be smart, they made simpletons of themselves.”**
 - 3. Please remember, in Matthew 17:2 we are told of Jesus' transfiguration: **“And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.”**
 - a. The word “transfigured” in Matthew 17:2 is the same word we find in Romans 12:2 when we are told **“...to be transformed by the renewing of your mind...”**.
 - b. The word **“transfigured”** means a change that glorifies or exalts.
 - c. So the renewed mind is a changed mind that glorifies or exalts heaven's reality (Jesus).
 - 4. To put it another way, the Word of God through the “merismos” moves the believers into a position where their life is changed to conform with the “light” (heaven's reality).
 - a. In support of the above we read John 8:12: **“Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that follows me shall**

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not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.”

- b. What is the **“light of life”**? Is it not a **“renewed mind”** possessing heaven’s reality?
5. In Luke 11:34 we see the importance of the light: **“The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single (sound) , thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, the body also is full of darkness.”**
 - a. We may also state that the **“light of the body”** could be called the **“light of the mind”**.
 - b. Therefore if we think only from the standpoint of heaven, is not our mind **“single,”** and if our mind is **“single,”** are we not full of **“light”**?
 - c. This is confirmed by Paul in 1 Thes. 5:5: **“Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.”**
 - d. Paul was simply saying that Christians with **“renewed minds”** are **“children of light,”** and the that **“light”** will not let them walk in the **“darkness of night”**.

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PART II

- XV. I want to start of by stating – we were born under an **“open heaven,”** and without that blessing we will fail to bring heaven’s resources to the earth.
- A. This understanding of the **“House of God”** and the **“Open Heaven”** is all important in being able to accept our comission to the primary mission.
1. I understand that most of you are wondering what I mean by the term **“open heaven.”** I will get to that in a few minutes, but first I want to talk about the