Managing Your Mindset as a Teen



Learn to handle negative thoughts by taking captive lies and filling your mind with God's truth about who you are.





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Introduction

Welcome to this 3-day Bible study focused on managing your mindset as a teen. Being a teenager comes with so many challenges — pressures from school, friends, family, and even your own thoughts. Sometimes, negative thoughts creep in telling you things like, "I'm not enough," "No one cares," or "I can't do this." These lies can stop you from living fully and confidently in God's love.

But here's the good news: **God wants you to take control of your thoughts** by filling your mind with His truth. In 2 Corinthians 10:5, the Bible says we can "take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ." This means that every lie or negative thought can be challenged and replaced with God's promises about who you really are. You are fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14), deeply loved (John 3:16), and equipped by the Holy Spirit (2 Timothy 1:7).

Over the next three days, you will discover practical ways to manage your mindset by clinging to God's truth. Each day will include scripture to meditate on, devotional thoughts to encourage you, reflection questions to dig deeper, journaling prompts to express your heart, and prayers to invite God's help. Remember, changing your mindset isn't about pretending negative thoughts don't exist—it's about replacing them with the power of God's Word and truth.

Get ready to transform your mind and see yourself through God's eyes!







Day 1: Taking Captive Every Thought









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Your Verse

2 Corinthians 10:5 – "We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ."

Supporting Scriptures

- Philippians 4:8 "Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble...think about such things."
- Romans 12:2 "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."







Day 1: O Taking Captive Every Thought

Devotional: Master Your Thoughts with God's Truth

Our minds are powerful. Thoughts influence feelings, choices, and how we live daily. But often, without realizing it, negative thoughts sneak in and take root, telling us lies like "I'm not good enough" or "I'll never succeed." The Bible encourages us to "take captive every thought." This means we don't have to accept every thought as truth; instead, we must examine and challenge them through God's Word.

When negative thoughts arise, ask yourself: "Is this thought true according to God's Word?" If it isn't, you have the power, with God's help, to reject it and replace it with something true. For example, if you think, "I am worthless," remember Psalm 139:14, which says you are "fearfully and wonderfully made." Choosing what to focus on shapes your mindset. Paul encourages believers to think about "whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable," and more (Philippians 4:8). These thoughts build up rather than tear down.

Today, begin paying attention to your thoughts. Practice capturing the negative ones and asking God to help you replace them with His truth.







Day 1: 🔾 Taking Captive Every Thought

Reflect and Apply

	What negative thoughts often come to your mind, and how do they affect you?
2.	How can you identify whether a thought is true or a lie?
	What are some Bible verses you can memorize to combat negative thinking?







Day 1: 🔾 Taking Captive Every Thought

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write down three negative thoughts you've noticed recently.
2.	Next to each, write a Bible truth or promise that can replace it.
3.	Describe how you feel after replacing these lies with God's Word.







Day 1: 🔾 Taking Captive Every Thought

Prayer for Today

Dear God,

Thank You that You give me the power to change my thoughts. Help me to recognize when negative thoughts come and to take them captive, replacing them with Your truth. Teach me to focus on what is pure, true, and beautiful as You instruct in Your Word. I pray You fill my mind with peace and confidence in who I am as Your child.

In Jesus' name, Amen. 🙏 🥯 🔲 🐪

















Day 2:

Defending Your Mind from Lies

Your Verse

Ephesians 6:11 – "Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes."

Supporting Scriptures

- John 8:44 "The devil is a liar and the father of lies."
- Psalm 34:18 "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."







Day 2:

Defending Your Mind from Lies

Devotional: Armor Up: Defend Your Mind from Lies

Negative thoughts often come from the enemy's lies. Satan's goal is to steal your joy and confidence by whispering untruths into your mind. But you are not powerless! The Bible calls us to "put on the full armor of God" to stand firm against these attacks (Ephesians 6:11).

What does this armor look like for your mind? It involves truth, faith, and the Word of God acting as a shield to block lies. When the devil says "You're not enough," stand firm by reminding yourself that God says you are beloved and chosen. When you feel brokenhearted or crushed, know that God is near and ready to save you (Psalm 34:18).

Remember, lying thoughts don't define you - *God defines you*. Every lie is like an arrow that God's armor helps deflect. By building yourself up daily with prayer, scripture, and encouragement, you strengthen your mind's defenses.

Today, identify specific lies you hear and practice using God's armor — His truth and promises — as your defense.







Day 2: ① Defending Your Mind from Lies

Reflect and Apply

1.	What lies do you find hardest to believe about yourself?
2.	How does knowing God's Armor can protect your mind empower you?
	What steps can you take today to strengthen your mental defenses spiritually?







Day 2: ① Defending Your Mind from Lies

Journaling Prompts

1.	List three lies the enemy tries to tell you.
2.	Write Bible verses that serve as "armor" against each lie.
3.	Describe how wearing God's armor can change your daily mindset.







Day 2: ① Defending Your Mind from Lies

Prayer for Today

Lord,

Help me to put on Your full armor each day. Guard my mind against the lies that try to steal my joy and confidence. Remind me of Your truth when doubts and fears arise. May Your Word be my shield and Your Spirit strengthen me to stand firm as Your beloved child.

In Jesus' name, Amen. 🕡 🗀 🙏 💪

















Day 3: PRenewing Your Mind Daily

Your Verse

Romans 12:2 – "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."

Supporting Scriptures

- Colossians 3:2 "Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things."
- Psalm 119:11 "I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you."







Day 3: PRenewing Your Mind Daily

Devotional: Daily Steps to Renew Your Mind

Renewing your mind is a daily process. Negative thought patterns don't disappear overnight, but through steady, intentional effort, your mindset can be transformed. Paul exhorts us not to conform to worldly thinking but to be transformed by renewing our minds (Romans 12:2).

This renewal happens as you fill your mind with God's Word consistently. Setting your mind on things above (Colossians 3:2) means choosing to focus on eternal truths rather than temporary problems or feelings. Memorizing and meditating on Scripture helps root God's promises in your heart (Psalm 119:11), giving you weapons to combat negativity.

Consider your daily habits. What do you listen to, watch, and think about? Align these choices with God's truth to nurture a healthy mindset. It's also okay to reach out to trusted friends or mentors to help you stay encouraged.

Commit today to renew your mind step by step, trusting God to transform you from the inside out.







Day 3: 🍞 Renewing Your Mind Daily

Reflect and Apply

	What habits help you focus more on God's truth and less on negative thoughts?
	How can memorizing Scripture impact your mindset throughout the day?
3.	Who can support you as you work to renew your mind daily?







Day 3: 🍞 Renewing Your Mind Daily

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write down three ways you can renew your mind daily.
2.	Choose a favorite Bible verse to memorize and explain why.
3.	Reflect on how your mindset has changed after these three days.







Day 3: 7 Renewing Your Mind Daily

Prayer for Today

Father God,

Thank You for Your Word that renews my mind day by day. Help me to focus on things above and not conform to the patterns of this world. Strengthen my habits of reading Scripture and meditating on Your truth. Surround me with people who encourage me in this journey. Transform my thoughts so I can live confidently as Your child.

In Jesus' name, Amen. 🍞 🔲 🙏 🧇







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