

IMPROVING YOUR PERSPECTIVE

Part 2 - Three Alternative Mindsets

TEXT: *(Proverbs 4:23 NKJV) Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life.*

ADOPTING AN ALTERNATIVE MINDSET

- A. Alternative; used in place of another
 - 1. We all have mindsets
 - 2. After coming to a relationship with the Lord Jesus our mindsets need to be renewed **(Romans 12:2 NKJV)**
- B. To be different we'll have to do different **(2 Corinthians 10:3-5 NKJV)**
 - 1. War, weapons and warfare are not our typical ways of thinking
 - 2. These mental attitude habits that conflict with God's truth have to be dealt with

THREE POWERFUL MINDSETS THAT RUN DIFFERENTLY TO CONVENTIONAL THINKING

- A. Paul encouraged Timothy to adopt these perspectives **(2 Timothy 2:1, 3-7 NKJV)**
 - 1. Paul starts with the directive to be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus
 - 2. Paul introduces three different categories of vocation
 - 3. In summation Paul tells Timothy to consider what he is saying and the Lord will further enlighten
 - 4. And it was Timothy who Paul had to encourage to not be afraid **(2 Timothy 1:7 NKJV)**
- B. The soldier mindset
 - 1. Bearing up under hard things - not everything in the soldier's or Christian's life is easy
 - 2. A willingness to engage to fight **(1 Timothy 6:12 NKJV)**
 - 3. A strong focus - soldiers can't afford to get distracted