

Introduction

Revelation to Renewal

¹³ “When Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ They replied, “Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter said in reply, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ Jesus said to him in reply, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. ¹⁸ And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven... ²¹ From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised. ²² Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, “God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you.” ²³ He turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do.” -*Matthew 16:13-19; 21-23*

Renewal of the Mind

The renewal of the mind is the process of shifting our mindset from a worldly human perspective to a divine heavenly perspective.

Thinking From Heaven

Excess in the intellectual can result in ...

Deficiency in our intellectual life can result in

“A dogmatic faith unsupported by personal experience remains empty.; mere personal experience unrelated to the faith of the Church remains blind.” - *Pope Benedict XVI*

Faith is like the river and the renewed mind are the banks that give it form in direction to God's plans and purposes for your life.

Biblical Foundations For Renewal of the Mind

Romans 12:2 "Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind,"

"that you may demonstrate what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Application: Sickness and Disease

Application: association with the "less than Holy" friends

Application: Righteousness

Freedom From Fear