

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN F E L L O W S H I P

Mind Games

How Should We Then Live?

Romans 12:2

“And **do not** be conformed to this world, but **be transformed by** the renewing of **your mind**, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.”

Be **being** transformed

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Your mind is the workshop of your soul – **who you Are!**

What we **receive** into our minds shapes us

- **Our I.D.**, perspective & purpose
- **How & Why** we live as we do

Think – Believe - Become

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There is much contention for our minds – some unrecognized

“**Has God really said?**” (Gen. 3:1)

That remains the question

Because if He has, **He said it to us...**

And He expects us to **listen, hear and respond**

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Hearing God:

- By **His Word** (John 1:1-2)
- By **His Conduct** (John 1:14 & 18)
- By **His response** to our requests (His promises)

- By **His Spirit** (Includes through each other)

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The first two – **for everyone**

The next two – **very personal**

- All four are **sequential**
- They are also **by priority**

We are “**without excuse**” for ignoring Him (Rom. 1:18-22)

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Origins & Outcomes

We are either **made in His likeness and image** – or we are not

And that **defines everything else** about our lives

- If that is not true – **nothing else matters**

Our belief will lead us to God – or **away from Him**

- There is **no middle ground** (Matt. 12:30)

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How should we then live? (II Peter 3:11)

God either **IS** – or He is not

If He is – **He is exactly who He says He is**

No other supposed god claims to have originated all that is

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So... in light of all He has revealed we should:

- **Believe** that **He IS, He has and we are** (Know the truth from a lie)
- **Listen** to what He has **said already** – and pay attention
- **Watch** Jesus – and **follow Him** – His example
- **Know** who He has **made us to be** – Our identity
- **Live** like **we mean it** – As much as He does

No one else can do it to us, or for us

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Romans 8:31, “What, then, shall we say in response to these things? **If God is for us**, who can be against us?”

“Being confident of this very thing, that **He who has begun a good work in you will complete it** until the day of Jesus Christ” (Phil. 1:6)

“For it is **God who works in you to will and to act** in order to fulfill his good purpose.” (Phil. 2:13)

Surrender to God - as the author and rightful authority in your life

Submit to His Word - as the definition of who you are and how to live

Subject yourself to Him - relying on His grace to empower you to live