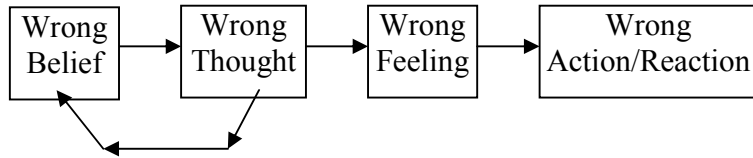
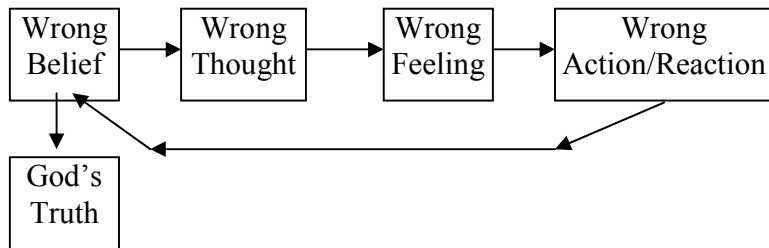


3. Discover Our Wrong Belief From Our Thoughts



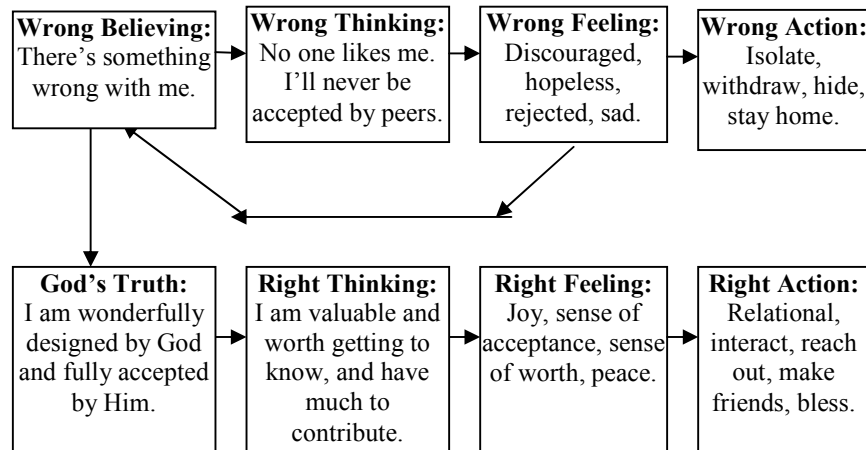
4. Reject The Wrong Belief, And Affirm God's Truth

- ❑ 2 Corinthians 10:5, NIV – (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.



Ephesians 4:22-24, NIV – (22) ... put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; (23) to be made new in the attitude of your minds; (24) and ... put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

USING OUR EMOTIONS TO OVERCOME WRONG THINKING



WINNING THE BATTLE FOR YOUR MIND

Part 8 – Emotions

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THE IMPORTANCE OF CONFESSING GOD'S WORD

- ❑ We don't get Biblical revelation by praying for revelation, but by believing God's Word
- ❑ Deuteronomy 25:4, NIV – “Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain.”
- ❑ 1 Corinthians 9:9-11, NIV – (9) For it is written in the Law of Moses: “Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain.” Is it about oxen that God is concerned? (10) Surely he says this for us, doesn't he? Yes, this was written for us, because when the plowman plows and the thresher threshes, they ought to do so in the hope of sharing in the harvest. (11) If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you?
- ❑ 1 Timothy 5:17-18, NIV – (17) The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor (material blessing), especially those whose work is preaching and teaching. (18) For the Scripture says, “Do not muzzle the ox while it is treading out the grain”, and “The worker deserves his wages.”

BASE YOUR LIFE ON TRUTH, NOT FEELINGS

- ❑ Too many Christians judge their spiritual condition by what they hear, what they see, and what they feel, rather than on what God's Word says

John 7:24, NIV – “Stop judging by mere appearances, and make a right [correct / accurate] judgment.”

- ❑ We can't have biblical faith unless we make the choice to stand on the truth of God's Word

FACTS – FAITH – FEELINGS

1. Feelings Change – Facts Do Not

- ❑ Romans 5:1-2, NIV – *(1) Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, (2) through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.*

2. Facts Pull The Train



- ❑ Engine = facts, truth, and the power that truth releases
- ❑ Coal Car = faith, believing
- ❑ Caboose = feelings
- ❑ If we put our faith in our feelings, then God is obligated to disconnect the caboose for awhile, until we learn how to live by faith in the facts

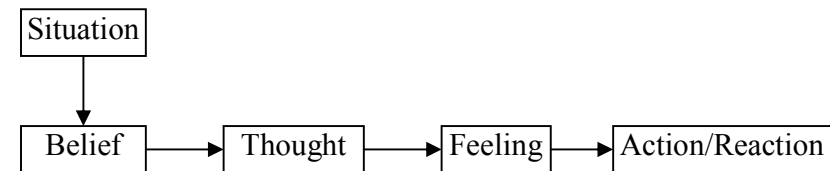
OUR THOUGHTS DETERMINE OUR FEELINGS

- ❑ God is never overwhelmed by His emotions, because He knows Himself absolutely, and He knows every situation thoroughly, and as a result, He thinks correctly, and so He is never overwhelmed by His emotions.
- ❑ The reason we feel what we feel, is because of what we think
- ❑ If we thought God's thoughts about our situation, instead of our thoughts about our situation, then we would have God's emotions, not our emotions.
- ❑ So if we can understand and experience God's thoughts, we will never be overwhelmed by our emotions

OUR FEELINGS: OUR DECEPTION DETECTORS

1. We Can Use Our Feelings To Detect Error In Our Thinking

- ❑ If we listen to our emotions, they will tell us when we are believing something that is wrong
- ❑ Fever is our physical body's way of telling us that something is wrong in our physical body, and emotions are our soul's way of telling us that something is wrong in our thinking
- ❑ Situations never create emotions, situations impact what we believe, which create thoughts, which then create the emotions that we experience, which leads us to certain actions or reactions.



2. Trace Our Wrong Feelings Back To Our Thoughts

- ❑ Every time we have a feeling that seems to be inappropriate, we need to trace that feeling back to the thought we were thinking.
- ❑ 2 Corinthians 10:5, NIV – *“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.”*

