## ~MENTAL (150)

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- Now another dream happens to Nebuchadnezzar, a dream that frightens him. So he puts through an order to all the wise men of Babylon, to show the very interpretation of the dream, for the mental images he saw frightened him.
- There was a dream that I beheld, and it began to make me afraid. And there were mental images upon my bed and visions of my head that began to frighten me. (Daniel 4:5)
- Yehowah now shows Amos, that he is the very former of the mountains, and also the creator of the wind. He, through his prophets, and by his word the Bible, tells to mankind what their mental concern should be in life. He is the one that can turn the brightness of dawn into obscurity, for he alone treads upon earth's high places, for Yehowah the God of armies is his name.
- For, look! The Former of the mountains and the Creator of the wind, and the One telling to earthling man what his mental concern is, the One making dawn into obscurity, and the One treading on earth's high places, Yehowah the God of armies is his name. (Amos 4:13)
- Of course by this time his parents were in distress, and so when they found him they were astounded and they said to him; Child, why did you treat us this way? For they were in distress mentally, for they had been looking for him for some time.
- Now when they saw him they were astounded, and his mother said to him; Child, why did you treat us this way? Here your father and I in mental distress have been looking for you. (Luke 2:48)
- One of the primary principles of justice is equivalence. Whatever one does to others, will in turn be done to them. Therefore, since they have chosen to reject God and his superior knowledge, he accordingly rejects them, and lets them go into a disapproved mental state.

- Homosexuals say, that they were born the way they are, but this is a lie, for they have been given up to their chosen way of thinking by God, and they will know no other way, for they have rejected his way of truth and righteousness. The way, that they have chosen for themselves, will have to teach them the hard way, what is wrong, for God has abandoned them to their own wrong desires.
- And just as they did not approve of holding God in accurate knowledge, God gave them up to a disapproved mental state, to do the things not fitting. (Romans 1:28)
- Paul now encourages his Christian brothers to look to God, for Yehowah God comforted his son Jesus Christ, to the extent that he could die a terrible death on a torture stake. Christ succeeded, having the endurance to finish this race for life, and those who choose to follow after him, Christians, need to have the same mental attitude, dependence upon the Holy Spirit, to bring us through clear to the end. God's spirit will not disappoint us!
- Now may the God who supplies endurance and comfort grant you to have among yourselves the same mental attitude that Christ Jesus had. (Romans 15:5)
- Their mental powers were thus dulled for they refused to clearly look at the glory of God. Paul shows, that this same veil remains upon them to this very day, at the reading of the Law Covenant.
- The veil itself is done away with by Christ, and this too was reflected at events accompanying Christ's death on a torture stake. The Bible record reveals, that when he thus died, that the curtain separating the Holy compartment from the Most Holy compartment was rent in two, and thus the veil was lifted and the opportunity was now opened for Christians to come into the very presence of Yehowah God.
- This was something that the Aaronic priesthood never could do, with the exception of the High Priest, and this only once a year on the Day of Atonement. Throughout their history, this veil remained in place, and it was done away with, rent from top, by Yehowah God, to bottom, the earthly disciples of his spiritual priesthood, who could now enter his spiritual tent, and after a resurrection like Christ's, they could come into his very presence. The veil had been removed by Christ's death.

- But their mental powers were dulled. For to this present day the same veil remains unlifted at the reading of the old covenant, because it is done away with by means of Christ. (2 Corinthians 3:14)
- He encourages to have the same mental attitude, that was in Christ Jesus, of viewing oneself correctly in all matters. Christ was mild tempered and lowly in heart, and he did nothing out of his own will, but only what he beheld the father doing.
- Keep this mental attitude in you that was also in Christ Jesus.
  (Philippians 2:5)
- Paul then encourages all those in Philippi, as many of them as are already mature spiritual men, to have this same mental attitude within themselves. Paul is confident, that if they are not yet mature, or they are thinking differently, that God through his Holy Spirit will make them understand in due time.
- Let us, then, as many of us as are mature, be of this mental attitude, and if you are mentally inclined otherwise in any respect, God will reveal the above attitude to you. (Philippians 3:15)
- If Christians do these things, then they can expect God to comfort them through his spirit. His spirit is better than all thought, for it brings exquisite peace, and it guards our mental powers. It also forms good mental habits within us, like those of God himself.
- And the peace of God that excels all thought will guard your hearts and your mental powers by means of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:7)
- Peter now reasons that since Christ suffered in the flesh that anointed Christians must arm themselves with the same mental disposition as Christ had, a willingness to let Yehowah God be the ultimate judge of all matters, and to humbly submit to anything he allows to come upon us, trusting in him completely. A person who thus acts, and who willingly suffers, rather than take vengeance upon another, has desisted from sins.
- Therefore since Christ suffered in the flesh, you too arm yourselves with the same mental disposition, because the person that has suffered in the flesh has desisted from sins. (1 Peter