HOW TO ENGRAFT GOD'S WORD

HELP YOURSELF BY GETTING YOUR MIND RENEWED (Study Tips by Ann Windsor)

"Re-newing" Your Mind:

Line upon line,

precept upon precept,

phrase by phrase

Example:

I took a Scripture from the Epistles telling me who I am and what I have IN CHRIST and

- would break it up into phrases.
- Then I would **define the words in the phrases** and
- change the pronouns to fit me personally.

Slowly, slowly I worked my way through a verse -

- attending,
- 'hearing',
- keeping it before my eyes
- and in my 'center' being.

I love God's Word - I study that way.

Not to get the benefit that it promises necessarily, but just to KNOW HIM. His Mind, His Ways, His Nature, His Character.

Here is an example taken from Acts 10:38:

<u>God anointed Jesus of Nazarath</u> (stop & think about the anointing; anointing for what, why/how does the anointing relate to my life?)

<u>With the Holy Spirit</u> - (Who is the Holy Spirit; how does He relate to my healing; who has He healed in the past; what part does He perform in the creative/restorative work?)

And with power (power for what; how much power; when is it available; is it available for me?)

<u>Who (Jesus) went about doing good</u> (good, hmmmm. Did Jesus ever do bad to people? Did he ever refuse to heal or set free anyone who came to him? What kind of Jesus do I see in the Gospels?)

<u>And healing all</u> (all....what does that word mean and how does it relate to me? Healing: what kinds and who? Rich - poor - political people - educated - uneducated, etc? Does 'all' include me 2,000 years later?)

<u>That were oppressed</u> - another word to look up and ask: If sickness (or whatever your issue may be) is oppression, then it is **on** me and it isn't a part of God's plan for me, etc. It isn't **in** 'me' - I AM a spirit. This isn't oppressing my spirit. It is oppressing or **'on'** my mind, will emotions, body that I live in, etc.

<u>of the Devil...</u>.(now you are getting down to who you are dealing with behind the oppression. This will help you focus your faith in the spiritual realm where the problem lies.)

Colossians 1:13: Versions for Healing

Colossians 1:13: Delivered From The Power of Darkness & translated into the Kingdom of God's Dear Son

This is a tremendous verse for healing and a life of wellness. When were you translated? When you were born again.

If you aren't in the Kingdom of Darkness any more, does it have any authority in you or over your life?

Where does sickness come from?

(These are basic truths that belong in your faith arsenal.

(The Father) Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son.

Let's look at this in phrases and apply it personally by changing the pronoun:

The Father has delivered me (stop right there and think about the vast scope of what you have been delivered from, first Sin and then everything attached or resulting from it.

From the power(authority) of darkness (who is the Ruler of the Darkness that operates in this world? When you answer that you know WHO you have been delivered from.)

And translated ME INTO THE KINGDOM OF HIS DEAR SON. (There are only two Kingdoms, both mentioned in this verse. If you aren't in one you ARE IN the other. If you ARE IN the Kingdom of God's Dear Son, you aren't the victim any more, you are the victor now.)

Some versions:

.....rescued me

.....set me free from

.....took me out of

.....saved me from

-the Dominion of Darkness
-control of Darkness
-domain of
-dark power of Satan
-authority of
-darkness & gloom of Satan's kingdom
-tyranny of

.....power of

.....a life of darkness

.....translated me into The Kingdom of His Dear Son

.....transferred me into

.....brought me into

.....re-established me in

.....set me up in

.....conveyed me into

.....put me in

.....the Kingdom of His Beloved Son

.....holy nation of His Much Loved Son

.....the Kingdom of the Son of His Love

.....the Reign of His Dear Son...

Oh, what blessed news! What hope for the future! What a reality for NOW!

Remember as you go over these that it was you (the spirit) that was translated out of the kingdom of darkness and conveyed into (born into) the Kingdom of Light. Not your mind, will or emotions. Or your body. So rightly divide as you read this verse so you can 'get it'.

Once again, I encourage you to write out your own personal confession making a composit of these versions. You will enjoy yourself doing it. You will be feeding your faith. You will be 'pouring in the clean water' to renew your mind.

Here is an example from Ephesians 1:3 (I also looked up various

versions on this)

Blessed with every spiritual blessing.....Ephesians 1:3

What does it mean to be spiritually blessed? This describes a believer as being in an enviable position for receiving God's provisions

Every spiritual blessing refers to all the conceivable gifts of redemption that Christians receive by being united with Jesus Christ.

The realm or scope of these gifts is "in Christ."

Paul goes on to outline "every spiritual blessing." First, we have God's gift of being <u>chosen and predestined</u> "for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ" (<u>Ephesians</u> <u>1:4–5</u>

Next, Paul features the gift of God's "<u>glorious grace</u>" that He has "poured out on us who belong to his dear Son.

Versions:

every spiritual blessing ASV

blessed us *in Christ* with every spiritual (given by the Holy Spirit) blessing in the heavenly realm AMPC

the spiritual blessings that Christ has brought us from heaven! CEV

In Christ, God has given us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly ·world [realms; places]. EXP

all spiritual blessing in heavenly things in Christ, GNV

every spiritual blessing that heaven has to offer. GW

For in our union with Christ he has blessed us by giving us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly world. GNT

Praise be to God for giving us through Christ every possible spiritual benefit as citizens of Heaven! For consider what he has done—before the foundation of the world he chose us to become, in Christ, his holy and blameless children living within his constant care. Phillips

How blessed is God! And what a blessing he is! He's the Father of our Master, Jesus Christ, and takes us to the high places of blessing in him. Long before he laid down earth's foundations, he had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of his love, to be made whole and holy by his love. Long, long ago he decided to adopt us into his family through Jesus Christ. (What pleasure he took in planning this!) He wanted us to enter into the celebration of his lavish gift-giving by the hand of his beloved Son. Message

Give praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. He has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. Those blessings come from the heavenly world. They belong to us because we belong to Christ. NIRV every spirit-inspired blessing in the heavenly realm. NTE

Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus the Anointed One, who grants us every spiritual blessing in these heavenly realms *where we live* in the Anointed—*not because* of anything we have done, but because of what He has done for us VOICE

Blessed [is] the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who did bless us in every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, YLT

***** hath bless has blessed has brought us having blessed has given us giving us has already given has bestowed upon us who grants us every did bless us

Keep it simple -

- you can find a few definitions for each word,
- think over what Jesus did in the Gospels, which you are already familiar with and
- reason through this verse phrase by phrase so your mind will get re-educated to Truth and will start thinking thoughts that will work and help you have healing & health.

Help yourself by helping your mind be renewed. Just take a verse and begin by breaking it up in phrases like you see above. That alone will 'wake up' your mind and bring you a lot of joy!

A tip:

When the mind asks: "What does God's Word say about that?"it isn't renewed yet. It is asking you a question so it can learn.

Romans 12:1&1

I beseech you brethren that you present your bodies a living sacrifice and be not conformed to the world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind that YOU may prove what is the good-acceptable & perfect will of God.