**4. GOD WATCHES OVER HIS WORD — THE HOLY SPIRIT TEACHES THOSE WHO SHOW UP**

**Jeremiah 1:12 (AMP)**
Then said the Lord to me, You have seen well, for **I am alert and active, watching over My word to perform it**.

**The question is never whether God will honor His Word.**
**The question is whether His Word will find a place of honor in us.**

**1 John 2:20 (NLT)**
But you are not like that, for **the Holy One has given you his Spirit**, and all of **you know the truth**.
**1 John 2:27 (NLT)**
But **you have received the Holy Spirit**, and he **lives within you**, so **you don't need anyone to teach you what is true**. For **the Spirit teaches you everything** you need to know, and what he teaches is true—it is not a lie. So just as he has taught you, **remain in fellowship with Christ**.

**We have been given the word of God and the Holy Spirit-**
**the only thing lacking is the giving of our time**

**Life Application:** James 1:22 commands us to be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving ourselves. So close the loop: this week, set a daily appointment with God and treat it like a meeting you cannot cancel. Read, listen to the inward Teacher, write down what He shows you, and do one thing He shows you the same day you receive it. A doer of the Word keeps the door open for the Teacher.

**FOR FURTHER STUDY**

- Ephesians 6:10–12 — the external war against ranks of wickedness
- 2 Corinthians 10:3–6 — the internal war against strongholds of thought
- Matthew 16:18 — the gates of hell will not prevail
- Romans 12:2 — renewal of the mind produces transformation and proves God's will
- Ephesians 4:23 — be renewed in the spirit of your mind
- Joshua 1:8 — meditate day and night to do the Word and have good success
- Isaiah 55:11 — God's Word never returns void
- Jeremiah 1:12 — God watches over His Word to perform it
- 1 John 2:20, 27 — the unction and the anointing that teaches
- John 16:13 — the Spirit of truth guides into all truth
- James 1:22 — be a doer of the Word, not a hearer only

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**John 8:32 (NKJV)**
And **you shall know the truth**, and the truth shall **make you free**."

**1. THE WAR HAS TWO FRONTS**

**Ephesians 6:12 (NKJV)**
For **we do not wrestle against flesh and blood**, but against **principalities**, against **powers**, against the **rulers of the darkness of this age**, against **spiritual hosts of wickedness** in the heavenly places.

**The devil cannot touch your position in Christ, so he targets your perception of it.**

**2 Corinthians 10:4 (NKJV)**
For **the weapons of our warfare** are not carnal but **mighty in God** for **pulling down strongholds**,
**2 Corinthians 10:5 (NKJV)**
**casting down arguments** and **every high thing that exalts itself** against **the knowledge of God**, **bringing every thought** into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

**Strongholds are demolished by the Word, not by worry —**
**you cannot cast down a thought with another natural thought.**

**Life Application:** This week, when anxiety, offense, or confusion presses in, stop and ask one question: "What am I believing right now that the Word does not say?" Write the lie down, find the scripture that contradicts it, and say that scripture out loud three times a day for seven days. You are not wrestling people — you are arresting thoughts.

## 2. RENEWAL PRODUCES TRANSFORMATION — AND TRANSFORMATION PROVES THE WILL OF GOD

**Romans 12:2 (NKJV)**
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.

**An unrenewed mind knows about God; a renewed mind walks with the Father.**

**Ephesians 4:23 (NKJV)**
and **be renewed** in the spirit of your mind,

**The new birth changed your nature in a moment,**
**but only the Word offers a lifetime of continual transformation.**

**Life Application:** Look honestly at one area of division or confusion in your own life — politics, relationships, money, or health. Ask: “Have I been forming my views from the news, or from the Word?” Choose one issue, find what the Word says about it, and commit to reading that scripture daily for thirty days before you speak on the issue again.

## 3. GOD'S WORD WORKS — BUT ONLY IN THE HEART THAT GIVES IT TIME

**Joshua 1:8 (NKJV)**
This **Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth**, but you shall **meditate in it day and night**, that you may **observe to do** according to all that is written in it. For then **you will make your way prosperous**, and then you will have **good success**.

Meditation changes what you **think**.
What you think changes what you **say**.
What you say changes how you **act**.
And how you act determines the **legacy** of your life.

**Isaiah 55:11 (NKJV)**
**So shall My word be** that goes forth from My mouth; **It shall not return to Me void**, But it **shall accomplish** what I please, And **it shall prosper** in the thing for which I sent it.

**Just like a seed needs good ground to grow**
**The Word of God needs a cultivated heart to produce results**

**Life Application:** Take one verse from this message and give it fifteen minutes a day — say it, whisper it, turn it over, personalize it with your own name in it. Set an alarm if you must. Fifteen minutes of meditation a day will do more for you than hours of anxious thinking.