

**Devotional Thoughts :: BRINGING INTO CAPTIVITY by Oswald Chambers****BRINGING INTO CAPTIVITY by Oswald Chambers - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2010/9/9 7:55**

"Bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ." 2 Corinthians 10:5

This is another aspect of the strenuous nature of sainthood. Paul says, "I take every project prisoner to make it obey Christ." (Moffatt.) How much Christian work there is to-day which has never been disciplined, but has simply sprung into being by impulse! In Our Lord's life every project was disciplined to the will of His Father. There was not a movement of an impulse of His own will as distinct from His Father's - "The Son can do nothing of Himself." Then take ourselves - a vivid religious experience, and every project born of impulse put into action immediately, instead of being imprisoned and disciplined to obey Christ.

This is a day when practical work is overemphasized, and the saints who are bringing every project into captivity are criticized and told that they are not in earnest for God or for souls. True earnestness is found in obeying God, not in the inclination to serve Him that is born of undisciplined human nature. It is inconceivable, but true nevertheless, that saints are not bringing every project into captivity, but are doing work for God at the instigation of their own human nature which has not been spiritualized by determined discipline.

We are apt to forget that a man is not only committed to Jesus Christ for salvation; he is committed to Jesus Christ's view of God, of the world, of sin and of the devil, and this will mean that he must recognize the responsibility of being transformed by the renewing of his mind.

**Re: BRINGING INTO CAPTIVITY by Oswald Chambers - posted by enid, on: 2010/9/9 8:06**

Consider, that every thought should be obedient to God's will.

What about our actions?

We might have good idea's, but, if God wants us to throw them aside, will we?

Quote: "This is a day when practical work is overemphasized..."

Some things just don't change.

That's because, there is nothing new under the sun.

**Re: BRINGING INTO CAPTIVITY by Oswald Chambers - posted by UntoBabes (), on: 2010/9/9 13:05**

There is a great sermon by "Art Katz" relating to this topic by the title: "Be Ye Perfect".

To be in the perfect will of God is to do the things that are on His heart, but how can we know that unless there is a living and continuing relationship with Him. Most people today do not want to give God the time He deserves, in order for Him to entrust them with what is on His heart.