

## WORDS TO LIVE BY

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### BIG IDEA: OUR LIVES MOVE IN THE DIRECTION OF OUR STRONGEST THOUGHTS.

*Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace.*

Romans 8:5-6

### A CHANGE OF THINKING

*Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think...*

Romans 12:2

*For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. <sup>4</sup> The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. <sup>5</sup> 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.*

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

• **What negative thoughts are dominating your thinking?**

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• **What spiritual truth will demolish your strongholds?**

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- **Worried all the time:** Because of Christ, I'm not anxious about anything. I cast my cares on God because He cares for me. I have the peace of God dwelling in my heart and ruling my mind.
- **Don't know God's will:** My life belongs to God. Daily I seek Him and daily He directs my steps. I know His voice and He leads me to His perfect will.
- **Lacking confidence:** My confidence is in Christ and Christ alone. Because His spirit lives within me, I can do everything He calls me to do.
- **Inconsistent in time with God:** I love the living, indwelling presence of my good God. Praying is as important to me as breathing. God's Word nourishes my soul. I depend on His presence every moment of every day.

### MY WORDS TO LIVE BY

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