# TRANSFORMED – 6

# "Let God Dig Up Your Issues - 2"

Theme verse: "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." Romans 12:1-2 NKJV

#### THIS IS WHY WE NEED TO RENEW OUR MINDS TO BE TRANSFORMED

"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways,' says the Lord. 'For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.'"

Isaiah 55:8-9 NKJV

"Yes, again and again they tempted God, And limited the Holy One of Israel." Psalm 78:41 (NKJV)

#### 4 Questions God Uses To Help Dig Up Our Heart:

**1. "Where are you?** Genesis 3:9

This question helps me dig up MY TRUE IDENTITY.

2. "What do you want?" Matthew 20:21

This question helps me dig up MY PURPOSE.

**3. "Do you want to be made well?** John 5:6

This question helps me dig up THE ISSUES IN MY HEART.

**4. "Do you love me?"** John 21:15

This question helps me dig up MY PASSION FOR GOD.

(Continuing the discussion of God digging up our issues)

This week: 'What's In Your Mind?"

GOD WANTS US TO RECOGNIZE <u>THOUGHTS AND BELIEFS</u> THAT ARE LIMITING WHAT HE WANTS TO DO IN OUR LIFE AND BRING THEM INTO <u>OBEDIENCE</u>.

"For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 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."

Il Corinthians 10:3-5 NKIV

### GOD HELPED MOSES DIG UP HIS PURPOSE, DEAL WITH HIS ISSUES AND STEP INTO HIS CALLING.

"And the Angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush does not burn.' So when the Lord saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.'" Exodus 3:2-4 NKJV

"Then He said, 'Do not draw near this place. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground.' Moreover He said, 'I am the God of your father—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God. And the Lord said: 'I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites. Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."

Exodus 3:3-10 NKJV

## SIX THOUGHTS MOSES HAD TO OVERCOME

## 1) WHO AM I? <u>I AM UNWORTHY!</u>

"But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" Exodus 3:11 NKJV

#### 2) WHO ARE YOU? I DON'T KNOW YOU!

"But Moses protested, 'If I go to the people of Israel and tell them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' they will ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what should I tell them?'" Exodus 3:13 NLT

"God replied to Moses, 'I Am Who I Am." Exodus 3:14 NLT

## 3) THEY WON'T BELIEVE ME! <u>I AFRAID OF WHAT PEOPLE WILL THINK!</u>

"But Moses protested again, 'What if they won't believe me or listen to me? What if they say, 'The Lord never appeared to you?" Exodus 4:1 NLT

"So the Lord said to him, 'What is that in your hand?' He said, 'A rod.'" Exodus 4:2 NKJV

## 4) I DON'T LIKE PUBLIC SPEAKING! I AM INADEQUATE!

"But Moses pleaded with the Lord, 'O Lord, I'm not very good with words. I never have been, and I'm not now, even though you have spoken to me. I get tongue-tied, and my words get tangled.'"

Exodus 4:10 NLT

"Then the Lord asked Moses, 'Who makes a person's mouth? Who decides whether people speak or do not speak, hear or do not hear, see or do not see? Is it not I, the Lord? Now go! I will be with you as you speak, and I will instruct you in what to say."

Exodus 4:11-12 NLT

### 5) GOD PLEASE SEND SOMEONE ELSE! I DON'T WANT THE RESPONSIBILITY!

"But Moses again pleaded, 'Lord, please! Send anyone else." Exodus 4:13 NLT

## 6) GOD WHY DID YOU SEND ME? I AM DISCOURAGED!

"Moses returned to the Lord and said, 'Why, Lord, why have you brought trouble on this people? Is this why you sent me? Ever since I went to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has brought trouble on this people, and you have not rescued your people at all.'" Exodus 5:22-23 NIV

"Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart."

2 Corinthians 4:1 NIV

"But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may also be revealed in our mortal body. So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you."

2 Corinthians 4:7-12 NIV