

# Do We Think Like Our Creator God?

**Isaiah 55:8-9** [King James] *“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith 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.”*

**For all our thoughts to be totally in harmony with our Creator God is an impossible goal, for we are finite and God is infinite.**

**Our aim should be to seek to be as close as we possibly can be to this perfect goal.**

**Isaiah 55:10-11** [King James] *“For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.”*

**Here we find the key as to how we can progress towards that goal. A daily study and meditation on God’s Word, the Christian Bible.**

**When we do think about spiritual things there is always a danger that we think like humans instead of considering them from God’s viewpoint.**

**Whether or not we are conscious of doing so, we invariably add or subtract something to the revealed truth to make it fit into the total body of ideas we have from previous experience that we considered to be true.**

**Spiritual growth can be difficult as all new truth is received into our mind and human spirit that is already cluttered up with old “truths”, half-truths and scraps of downright error.**

All of the above will fit into the total in such a way that will “feel” right.

**Matthew 19:24** [NIV] *“Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.”*

The Greek word translated “eye” is “*trupēma*” meaning an aperture of any kind and “needle” is “*rhaphis*” meaning to puncture by using force.

There was a small gate beside a main gate, which was closed at dusk in most walled cities.

This could allow access after dusk but for a camel to enter through this small gate [which had the name “*needle’s eye*”] the camel would have to stoop low and all the goods on its back would have to be taken off before it could pass through this restricted entry to the city.

**This would be a very vivid illustration of what is involved for us to rightly accept new truth from our Creator God. Thus enabling us to grow spiritually by thinking more like He does.**

**Only then will we be able to enter into the Kingdom of God, that is the created family of God.**

**Lift this illustration to the spiritual level. Like the camel we have to humble ourselves as we come into the presence of the Creator God.**

**Also we have to off-load all previous thoughts and ideas as to what is true.**

**Romans 6:1-4** [NIV] *“What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning, so that grace may increase? By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? Or don’t you know that all of us who were baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.”*

**For a Christian the old life, nature and thoughts have to be crucified.**

**Romans 6:6-8** [NIV] *“For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin, because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.”*

**A totally new life directed by our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

**Romans 12:1-2** [NIV] *“Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God, this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is, his good, pleasing and perfect will.”*

**This new life is a “living sacrifice,” a continual sacrifice of all thoughts that we had before our converting contact with our Saviour, Jesus Christ.**

**Also involved is a re-forming of the way we think and act, divorced from this world’s way and now directed by God’s Word.**

Even the apostle Peter had to free himself from his old thoughts and actions. [Acts 10:9-19; 34-35]

**Matthew 11:25-26** [NIV] *“At that time Jesus said, ‘I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure.’”*

**If we humble ourselves as little children and eagerly accept the Words of God, the Christian Bible, as a young child accepts the words of their parents as truth.**

With such an attitude we can progress spiritually on our path towards the Kingdom of God, that is becoming a created child of God who has the same character, thoughts and actions as God their Heavenly Father.

**How does understanding of this new eternal truth come to us in this new life?**

**John 16:12-13** [NIV] *“I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.”*

The teaching that the disciples received directly from Jesus Christ will be continued through all generations by the “spirit of truth” that is the Spirit of Christ, [Romans 8:9] the Holy Spirit.

**John 14:15-18** [NIV] *“If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor to be with you for ever, the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.”*

**Through the Holy Spirit living within us, Jesus Christ will continue to be our “Counsellor,” Greek word “paraklētōs” meaning advocate or one who walks with us, always at hand.**

**1 Corinthians 2:11-16** [NIV] *“For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man’s spirit within him? In the same way no-one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what*

*God has freely given us. This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words. The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned. The spiritual man makes judgments about all things, but he himself is not subject to any man's judgment: 'For who has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct him?' But we have the mind of Christ."*

**As the Holy Spirit directs our minds we will be gradually developing the mind of Jesus Christ and so thinking from God's viewpoint, rejecting our human thoughts.**