

BRAINWASHED BY GOD

Romans 12:2

I. Do not be Conformed

Syschēmatizō - to conform one's self (one's mind and character) to another's pattern

II. To the Patterns of this Age

Aiōn - period of time, age; a particular stage of history understood according to its values, beliefs and morals

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

Galatians 1:3-4

Hebrews 6:5

1 Corinthians 7:31

1 Corinthians 5:10

Romans 1:28-31

Galatians 5:19-21

Colossians 3:5-8

Ephesians 2:1-3

2 Timothy 3:2-5

1 John 2:15-16

III. Be Transformed

Metamorphóō - to change into another form, to transform, to transfigure

Mark 9:2-3

2 Corinthians 3:18

Romans 8:29

Galatians 5:22-26

Ephesians 5:15

IV. By the Renewing of the Mind

Anakainōsis - a renewal, renovation, complete change for the better

Colossians 1:9, 28

Colossians 2:8

Colossians 3:10

Philippians 1:9

Ephesians 1:17-18

2 Peter 1:2-3, 5-6

Psalms 119:11-12, 15-16, 33-38

2 Timothy 3:16-17

John 17:17

John 14:26

Romans 7:25

Ephesians 4:23

Colossians 3:2

1 Peter 1:13-16

V. That You May Prove

Dokimázō - to test, examine, prove, scrutinize (to see whether a thing is genuine or not), as metals

VI. The Good, Acceptable, Perfect Will of God

Thélēma - what one desires or has determined shall be done

Ephesians 5:8-10

Philippians 1:9-10a

1 John 4:1

And stop assuming an outward expression that does not come from within you and is not representative of what you are in your inner being but is patterned after this age; but change your outward expression to one that comes from within and is representative of your inner being, by the renewing of your mind, resulting in your putting to the test what is the will of God, the good and well-pleasing and complete will, and having found that it meets specifications, place your approval upon it.

Brainwashing: a forcible indoctrination to induce someone to give up basic political, social, or religious beliefs and attitudes and to accept contrasting regimented ideas

Closing Thought: Beloved, all of the “knowledge” we had about right living we brought into salvation is wrong, and must be completely changed. In order to know God’s will, we must know God’s Word. In order to think like God, we first have to stop thinking like us. We must be brainwashed by God via His Word, by the power of the Holy Spirit.