

A close-up photograph of a man from the chest up. He has short, dark hair and is wearing black-rimmed glasses. He is looking slightly upwards and to his right with a neutral expression. He is wearing a light-colored, button-down shirt with a subtle pattern and a dark tie. The background is a soft-focus blue.

Loving God with
All of Our Mind

Mark 12:30

³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

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The Mind Must be in Harmony
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Romans 12:2

² Do not conform 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.

Ephesians 4:23

²³ to be made new in the attitude of your minds;

Romans 8:6-8

6 The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace.

7 The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so.

8 Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

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Spiritual Ways the Mind Works



- Memory: Store Memories and Knowledge
- Reasoning: Logic
- Imagination: Dreaming and Creativity

Loving God with Our Memory: Storing Knowledge



Hebrews 10:16

¹⁶ "This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord. I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds."

Deuteronomy 11:18-19

- ¹⁸ Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.
- ¹⁹ Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

17 so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Loving God with Our Memory: Storing Knowledge



Loving God with Our Memory: *Storing Thoughts*



2 Corinthians 5:17

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

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Isaiah 63:7

⁷ I will tell of the kindnesses of the LORD, the deeds for which he is to be praised, according to all the LORD has done for us-- yes, the many good things he has done for Israel, according to his compassion and many kindnesses.

Loving God with Our Memory: *Storing Thoughts*



Loving God with Our Reasoning, Our Logic



Isaiah 1:18-20

18 "Come now, let us settle the matter," says the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.

19 If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the good things of the land;

20 but if you resist and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword." For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Loving God with Our Reasoning, Our Logic



Psalm 14:1

¹ For the director of music. Of David. The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt, their deeds are vile; there is no one who does good.

Hebrews 11:3

³ By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

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Romans 1:20-25

20 For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature--have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

21 For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Romans 1:20-25

²² Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools

²³ and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles.

Romans 1:20-25

²⁴ Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another.

²⁵ They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator--who is forever praised. Amen.

Loving God with Our Reasoning, Our Logic



Isaiah 55:8-9

⁸ "For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways," declares the
LORD.

⁹ "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so
are my ways higher than your ways and my
thoughts than your thoughts.

Loving God with Our Reasoning, Our Logic



Loving God with Our Imagination



Psalm 8:3-4

³ When I consider your heavens, the work of
your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you
have set in place,
⁴ what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?

Loving God with Our Imagination



2 Corinthians 10:5

⁵ We demolish arguments and every pretension
that sets itself up against the knowledge of God,
and we take captive every thought to make it

Loving God with Our Imagination



Are You Loving God with All of Your Mind?



