**Sunday, 16 May 2021**

**What Do You Think Series – Part 1: The Importance of Your Thoughts**

Series Intro: This series aims to teach the importance of maintaining a Biblical thought life that will help us think like God and walk in His ways. The result of which will be that we begin to make better choices and begin to experience a better life. After we are born again, one of the first things God wants us to do is to learn to think like God. In this series, we will learn to think like God.

Sermon Intro: God wants us to know that the way we think will directly affect our quality of life. To experience the life God has for us, we must learn to think like God. Therefore, what you think is important. Today we will discover that our thinking will determine our decisions and actions, that God’s thoughts are superior to ours, and that thinking like God will change our lives.

Isaiah 55:6-13

1. Our thoughts determine our decisions and actions – Isaiah 55:6-7
   1. There is a direct connection between thoughts and behavior - Isaiah 55:6-7
   2. Abraham’s thoughts determined his actions - Genesis 20:11
2. God’s thoughts are superior to ours – Isaiah 55:8-9
   1. God’s thoughts are perfect and based on complete knowledge - all-knowing – Isaiah 46:9-10
   2. God’s thoughts will lift us up into a higher type of life – Psalm 1:1-3
3. Thinking like God will change your life
   1. A picture of a transformed and blessed life - Isaiah 55:10-13
   2. God’s ways are blessed - Psalm 65:11
   3. God’s ways contain His mercy and truth - Psalms 25:10

Conclusion: What do you think? Your thoughts will determine your decisions and actions, which will produce what you experience in life. God is telling us that our thoughts are important. To experience the life God has for us, we must realize that our thoughts determine our decisions and actions, that God’s thoughts are superior to ours, and that we must begin to think like God to experience a changed life.

Discussion Questions:

1. Why are your thoughts important?
2. Why are God’s thoughts superior to ours?
3. How will thinking like God change your life?