

Pivotal Decisions: I Will Protect My Mind
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Text: Colossians 2:6–10 (ESV)

Proverbs 23:7a (KJV)

For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he:

1. I will protect my mind by staying _____ in Christ.

Colossians 2:6 (ESV)

Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him,

1 John 2:6 (ESV)

whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

Colossians 2:7 (ESV)

rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

- _____ and _____ up in him

Jeremiah 17:5-8 (ESV)

Thus says the LORD: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD. He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit."

- Established in the _____, just as you were taught
- Abounding in _____

2. I will protect my mind by rejecting _____ philosophies.

Colossians 2:8 (ESV)

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ.

Ephesians 5:6 (ESV)

Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.

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3. I will protect my mind by trusting in Christ's _____.

Colossians 2:9-10 (ESV)

For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.