

WHERE DOES COMPLACENCY COME FROM?

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If you are reading this teaching you have most likely dealt with feeling or being complacent. Complacency is when you have been **STUCK** in the same condition and circumstance for a period of time.

Complacency feels like ground hog day, repetitive. It is a frustrating place to be in life. Where does this feeling come from? Why does it happen all of a sudden? How can you end the cycle of complacency. These are questions that weighs on the minds of many people.

Complacency comes from a **REFUSAL** to renew your mind. Refusing to renew your mind prevents you from adopting new ideas, theories, perspectives, methods and attitudes. A mind that is not updated **DAILY** is like bread that is passed it's expiration date, it's no longer useful!

The first generation Israelites suffered from the spirit of complacency for forty years. When Moses delivered the Israelites from Egypt they were scheduled to enter their promised land in eleven days. However, because their minds were still **ENSLAVED** to Egypt the Lord knew they were not able to maximize and handle the goodness of Canaan (promise land) properly.

God sent the Israelites to travel the long way to Canaan through the wilderness. The wilderness was never suppose to be permanent. They were suppose to pass through in eleven days. Eleven days turned into forty years because they **REFUSED** to change from thinking like slave.

God would not allow the mentality of slavery to enter the land of freedom. This is why the first generation Israelites remained complacent in the wilderness for forty years. It is imperative that you understand how God values a renewed mind.

The Lord will allow you to die in your current condition and circumstance **BEFORE** He takes you to your next level with an old mentality. The first generation Israelites died in the wilderness, never seeing Canaan because of this one issue.

If you are tired of being complacent in life, start renewing your mind and changing how you think. Do not be stubborn in your ways. Embrace new ideas and new ways of doing things.

IF YOU CAN CHANGE HOW YOU THINK YOU CAN
CHANGE YOUR ATTITUDE. IF YOU CAN CHANGE YOUR
ATTITUDE YOU CAN CHANGE YOUR ALTITUDE.

GROWTH

A plant blossoms when the environment changes. A child gets smarter when they are challenged at a higher grade level. You cannot get more or move forward when your mind has not been updated.

If you want to renew your mind start by reading books that will improve your thinking patterns. Stop entertaining people who stay in the past. Listen to advice that challenges your current ideas and perspectives.

The goal is to **NEVER THINK THE SAME WAY** each day. Your mind should evolve everyday in how you solve problems, speak to people, schedule your day, spend your time and manage your life. If your thoughts are not changing, **COMPLACENCY** will take over.

A COMPLACENT LIFE BECOMES AN UNFULFILLED LIFE!

God hates complacency. He is always looking to do a new thing with His people. Isaiah 43:19 says, *"Look at the new thing I am going to do. It is already happening. Don't you see it? I will make a road in the desert and rivers in the dry land."*

When you renew your mind, God will renew your opportunities, possibilities and blessings.

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