

Break free and fly high

A stronghold is a fortified place to protect from attacks. It is also a place of command, out of which a whole area is subdued and controlled.

'Stronghold' is a popular word in evangelical circles. There are religious and worship centers, which are strongholds of the spirit of darkness. They command the thought and belief of a large segment of people, capturing and subduing them under superstitions while setting their minds against truth.

Further, the God of the world, the devil, has erected various strongholds of philosophy, culture, religion, political systems, extremism and the like in defense against the truth of God and holds the world under his sway.

Now, let us also know, strongholds are not alone outside of us, even our mind is a stronghold against the light of God.

Our mind has been formed in the course of time, through our cultural, social, ethical, belief, and spiritual settings. Added, our information, observations, understanding, exposure, experience and so on have shaped our mind. And we have acquired a mindset and perspective that is devoid of the light of God.

Please note, just by regeneration, although our heart is changed, our mind remains unchanged. This old mind of falsehood cannot have a sense of the divine, God's will and His purposes. Alas, it acts as a stronghold against the truth of God!

This is why we need a thorough renewal of the mind that we perceive everything with a divine and kingdom perspective.

Yes, we have the Holy Spirit as the Lord of that renewal and His word as His instrument of renewal.

Through knowing and agreeing to God's truth we are progressively made free from the lie of the devil. And yielding to and obeying God's truth, our mind is renewed day by day. Thus on the one hand the stronghold of the devil is overthrown and on the other hand, we live to God's will and progress in His purposes.

Hence, have truth at all costs and be free. Be renewed by all means by the truth, and prove God's will.