

1 Peter Series

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**SPIRITUAL FOCUS;  
MEDITATING ON SCRIPTURE**

**1 PETER 1:7–9**



**1<sup>ST</sup> PETER**

**LIVING IN LIGHT  
OF ETERNITY**

# GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION: 3 STAGES

**PHASE  
ONE**

**Justification**

**Positional  
Sanctification**

**Saved from the  
Penalty of Sin**

**PHASE  
Two**

**Spiritual  
Life**

**Progressive  
Sanctification**

**Saved from the  
Power of Sin**

**PHASE  
THREE**

**Glorification**

**Ultimate  
Sanctification**

**Saved from the  
Presence of Sin**

**Deliverance from Trials  
In Your Spiritual Life**





**1 Pet. 1:6, “In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,**

**1 Pet. 1:7, “that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,**

**1 Pet. 1:8, “whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,**

**1 Pet. 1:9, “receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls.”**



**Rejoicing in the Midst of the Present Fiery Trial Because Our Knowledge of the Word and Our Love For Christ which Enables Us to Look to a Future Deliverance in This Life as Well as the Glories to Come. 1 Peter 1:6–9**





# Doctrine of Suffering for Blessing





# **1. Every believer goes through tests.**

**A test is any situation where we choose to either sin or obey the Word; react through mental attitude sins: anger, lust, resentment, jealousy, bitterness—or sins of the tongue: gossip, maligning, lying, deception—or overt sins.**

**People tests**

**Authority tests**

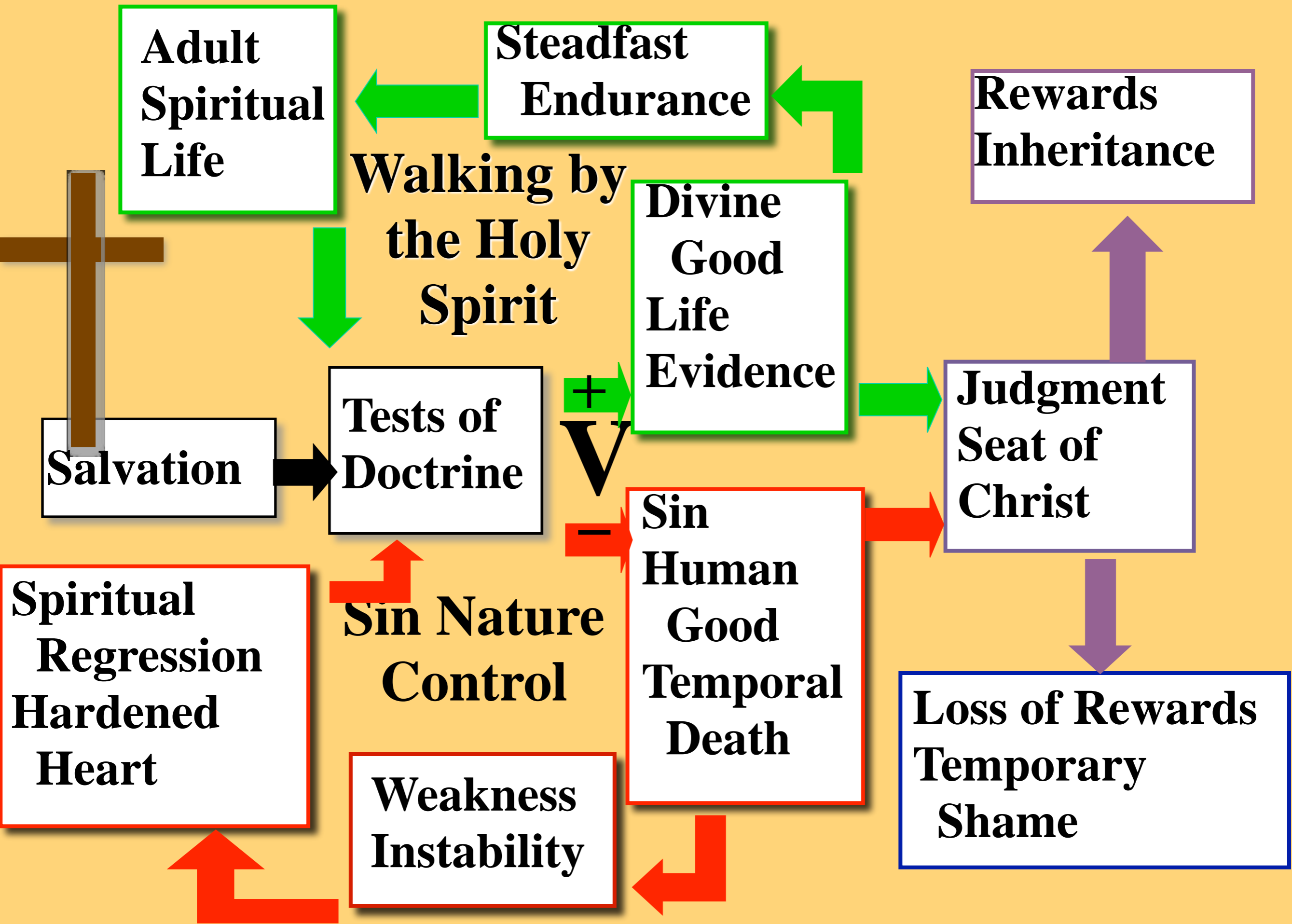
**System tests**

**Moral tests**

**Thought tests**

**Emotional tests**







**2. God's training program utilizes adversity to teach us to utilize the 10 spiritual skills, which are spiritual skills needed for spiritual growth.**





# Spiritual Adults (**uijoi**; *huioi*, adult sons, Rom. 8:14)

PLG  
Rom. 5:5

ILM  
Gal. 5:14

O/C  
Heb. 2:2

+H,  
James 1:2

# Spiritual Adolescence (**neanivskoi**, *neaniskoi*, 1 John 2:13)

**Personal Sense of Your Eternal Destiny**

Rom. 8:16–17

# Spiritual Childhood (**tevknon**, *teknon*)

Confess  
1 John 1:9

WHS, FHS  
Eph. 5:18

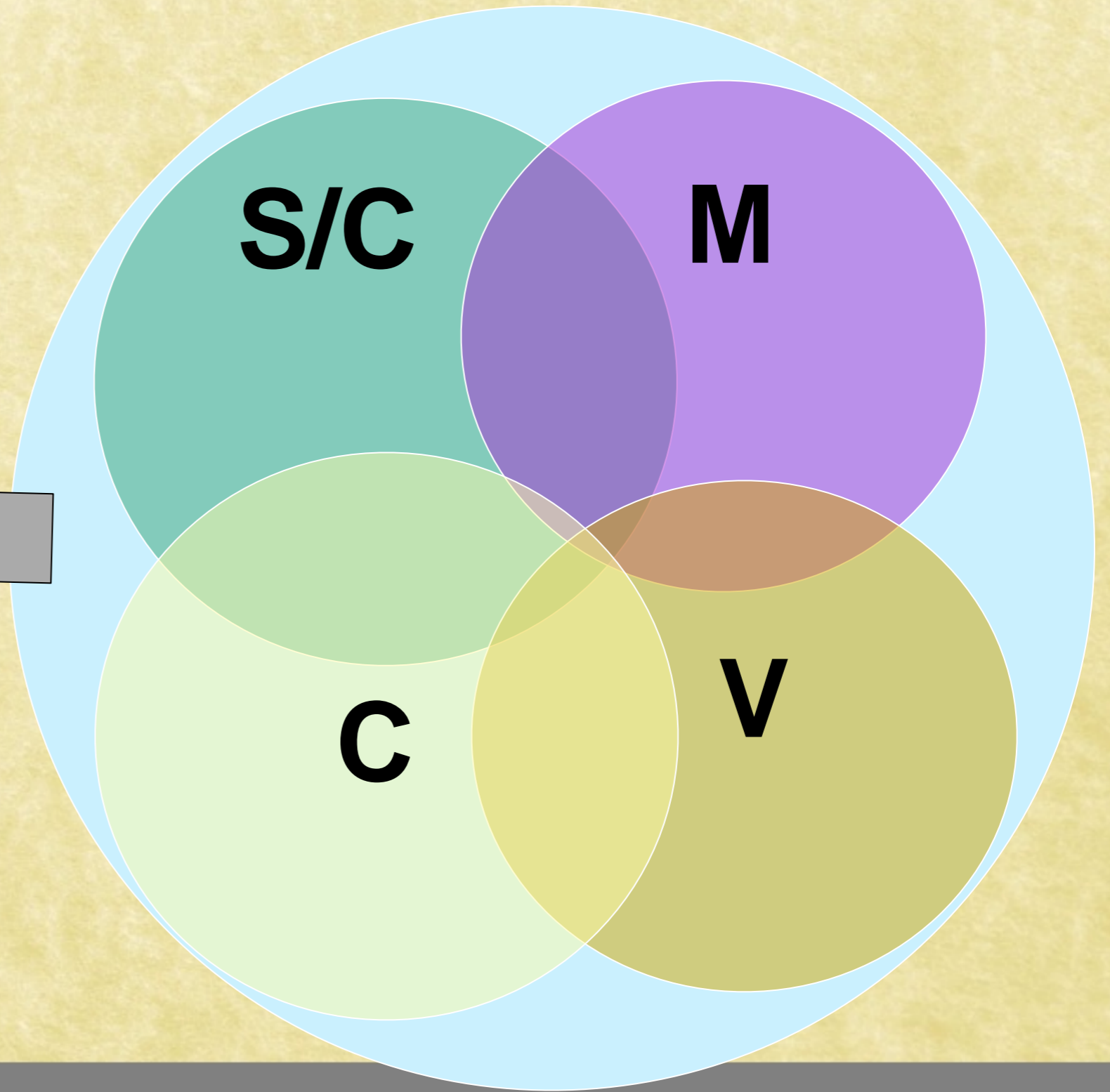
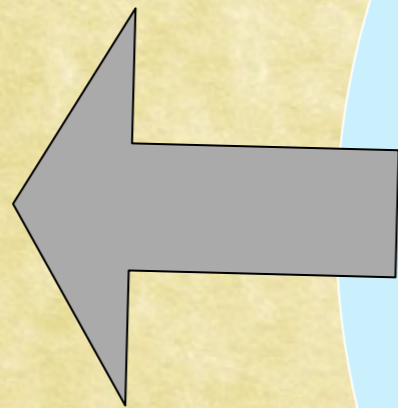
FRD  
2 Pet. 1:3, 4

G/O  
2 Pet. 3:18

D/O  
2 Pet. 3:18



# The Human Soul





## **Verses related to the Problem**

**Prov. 23:7, “For as he thinks in his soul, so is he.”**

**Prov. 12:25, “Anxiety in the heart of man causes depression, But a good word makes it glad.”**





## Verses related to the Solution

Deut. 6:6, “And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.

Deut. 6:7, “You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

Deut. 6:8, “You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes.”



## **Verses related to the Solution**

**Psa. 77:12, “I will also meditate on all Your work, And talk of Your deeds.”**

**Prov. 6:21, “Bind them continually upon your heart; Tie them around your neck.”**





## **Verses related to the Solution**

**Psa. 1:1, “Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;**

**Psa. 1:2, “But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.**

**Psa. 1:3, “He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.”**



הגה *hagah*

**“to meditate, moan, speak, whisper, murmur.”**

**In meditation it likely refers to someone saying something over and over again as they focus their thinking.**

**Psa. 2:1, “Why are the nations in an uproar and the peoples devising a vain thing?”**



## Verses related to the Solution

**Psa. 63:6, “When I remember You on my bed, I meditate on You in the night watches.”**

**Psa. 143:5, “I remember the days of old; I meditate on all Your doings; I muse [*shiach*] on the work of Your hands.”**





**Psa. 104:34, “May my meditation be sweet to Him; I will be glad in the LORD.”**

**שִׁיתָ (s'îah) I, *meditate, muse, commune, speak, complain.***





**Phil. 4:8, “Finally, brethren, whatever things are true [*alethes*], whatever things are noble [*semna* honorable, consistent with God’s character], whatever things are just [consistent with God’s integrity], whatever things are pure [morally unstained], whatever things are lovely [acceptable, pleasing to God], whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue [moral excellence] and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.”**

*λογίζομαι* *logizomai* pres mid impera 2 plur  
**to count, think, calculate**



**Rom. 8:5, “For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.”**

**φρονέω *phroneō* pres act  
indic 3 plur to be wise, to  
think**





**Col. 3:2, “Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.”**

