

What kind of ideas or thought patterns are we creating and nurturing
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What kind of ideas or thought patterns are we creating and nurturing? Happy Mother's Day! The role of a mother is to protect and nurture. Mothers are many things to different people. There is a mother in all of us. That being said, what, are we, as mothers nurturing and protecting?

Are we nurturing thoughts and ideas of love, understanding, forgiveness and kindness, or are we nurturing thoughts and ideas of hate, unforgiveness, bitterness and greed? I Corinthians 2:16 tells us "but we have the mind of Christ, the Messiah, and do hold the thought (feelings and purposes) of his heart". We are told to arm ourselves with the same attitudes and mind set as Jesus had. 2 Corinthians 3:18-19 says "But we are all with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image, from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord. As we behold Christ...as we fill our minds with the word with knowledge of Christ...we are constantly changed and transformed into his image. As our minds...thought, will, emotions, desires, purposes...are renewed, we become governed by the Holy Spirit and begin to manifest Christ's life." We must die to ourselves and live for Christ. To what extent do we think like Christ? What thoughts would Christ nurture? A *me . . . me . . . me* attitude gets you nowhere in the Kingdom of God. To have a well disciplined victorious mind you first take action against Satan's attacks on your minds. Recognize, resist and cast out all thoughts that Satan tries to plant into our hearts and minds. Satan is a liar and fills your mind with thoughts of fear, temptation and doubt. He's a liar and a cheat! Don't let him steal your glory; you are a child of God! As it is written in 2 Timothy 1:7 "God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." We should also be continually renewed in our minds by "putting off" the old carnal mind and bringing our thoughts, wills, desires and attitudes into

control to the will of God. Romans 12:2 tells us, "And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. Lastly we should fill our hearts and minds with God's word and knowledge of Christ. For example, when we program into a computer is exactly what we're going to get. The same principle is true with our minds. The thoughts, desires and imaginations which we continually fill our minds are what is going to be expressed through our words, and manifested in our lives. We must fill ourselves with the word of God; have a personal relationship with God. Talk to God, have conversations with him! What is in your heart and mind determines what you are. You must see to it that your interests and desires are centered on Christ. We must fill our thoughts, our life and set a thought pattern upon Christ, the Word, God's will, His plan and purposes.