

METHODICAL THINKING!

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(Jeremiah 29:11) (Luke 14:28)

Methodical thinking is not entertaining random thoughts. It is **PLANNING**, **FORMULATING** and **STRATEGIZING** your next decision. Not knowing how to think methodically will cause you to **DOUBT** what you do not know. Lacking the ability to think methodically will cause you to **SQUANDER** priceless information that is brought before you.

Not knowing how to think methodically will cause you to **REJECT** what is beneficial to you. Not knowing how to think methodically will position you to **LOSE** valuable opportunities. Many people have missed out on the blessings of God because they did not know how to think methodically. Methodical thinkers **DO NOT MAKE CARELESS DECISIONS**. Their decisions are deliberate, orderly and systematic.

GOD IS A METHODOICAL THINKER

Jeremiah 29:11

The scripture says, *"I say this because I know what I am planning for you, says the Lord. I have **GOOD PLANS** for you, not plans to hurt you. I will give you hope and a good future."* Do you believe that God does things haphazardly? Nothing God does or allows is accidental. It does not matter how it looks or how it appears to be. Everything God does is **METHODOICAL**.

There is a method to the madness. Methodical thinkers turn negative circumstances into positive results. Methodical thinkers do not ignore the flaws of society or people, they **CONSIDER** them. As the scripture says, the Lord has made good plans for His people. However, this does not mean bad things will not happen. Remember, God is **METHODOICAL**. He considers everything!

He understands that bad situations will produce great character. He knows trying times will produce great patience. As you are reflecting on your life's journey, please understand that God has **THOUGHT** about how to make you whole. Oftentimes, negative experiences produces mature mindsets.

METHODICAL THINKERS FOCUS ON THE BIG PICTURE.

CONSIDER THE LOSSES

The biggest mistake people make, when it comes to thinking methodically is that they **DO NOT CONSIDER** the potential losses that comes with plotting their next move. This is the difference between how God thinks and how people think. God **ALWAYS** considers His potential losses. People choose to **AVOID** thinking about their potential losses. When God **ALLOWED** the serpent to

reside in the Garden of Eden, He **ALREADY THOUGHT ABOUT** the temptation Adam and Eve would face.

Our Heavenly Father knew how to make Jesus the Lord over our lives. He knew that Adam had to lose dominion over the earth so Jesus could be our saving grace. In order for Jesus to be exalted as our Lord and Savior, our Heavenly Father **CONSIDERED THE LOSSES** that men and women would have to endure. Every decision our Heavenly Father made from Genesis to Revelation was **METHODICAL**.

WISDOM NOTE:

The sins of men **DID NOT** surprise God. Men's rebellion **DID NOT** surprise God. When you are a methodical thinker you **CONTROL** what happens.

GOD IS VICTORIOUS BECAUSE HE IS A METHODICAL THINKER!

People who are **NOT** methodical thinkers become victims to the element of surprise. Methodical thinking is **NOT** being ignorant to potential losses, it is **PLANNING** for potential losses. Luke 14:28 says, *"If you want to build a tower, you **FIRST** sit down and **DECIDE** how much it will cost, to see if you have enough money to finish the job."* In this scripture Jesus is teaching us how to think methodically. When you do not become a methodical thinker, the enemy will carry an **ADVANTAGE OVER YOU**.

EVERY DECISION HAS A PRICE!

Every decision you make will require you to lose and gain at the **SAME** time. For example. If you decide to build a business you will **LOSE** the luxury of having fun during your personal time yet **GAIN** economic freedom at the same time. Methodical thinkers are not easily discouraged. They **PLAN** for the worse. They are not easily troubled. They **PREDICT** the type of trouble they may encounter.

These people are not easily disappointed because they have **STRATEGIZED** how to overcome potential setbacks. They are not easily stressed. They **PREPARE** to handle trying times. Methodical thinkers understand that every decision has a price tag attached to it. More importantly, they know that every decision **COMES WITH A LOSS**.

It may be a loss of time, energy, money, people, sleep, etc. Methodical thinking people take a loss. However, they **NEVER LOSE**. Every move they make is a step toward victory. **LOSSES ARE INEVITABLE BUT LOSING IS A CHOICE. METHODICAL THINKERS ALWAYS WIN!!**

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