

XX. 「心想事成」：積極思想的能力

“Mind Over Matter” – the Power of (Positive/Possibility) Thinking

賽 55: 10-11 Isaiah 55:10-11

“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but *it shall accomplish that which I purpose*, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.”

弗 1: 11 Ephesians 1:11

“In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who *works all things according to the counsel of his will*.”

1. 很多心理學家和新紀元作者相信，人的思想有極大的能力：所謂「心想事成」。你所想的，就能發生：心靈可以控制物質世界，可以控制未來。

Many psychologists and most New Age writers believe in the “power of the mind.” What you think affects what will happen to you – you can “think” the future into existence.

2. 「心想事成」若是指我們的思想能控制物質世界（我們的身體，環境等），那麼只有上帝有這種的能力。只有《聖經》的上帝絕對有這能力，有權使用這種能力。上帝思想，計劃一件事的時候，事就這樣成了。他是按自己計劃創造萬物的主！上帝說，「要有光」，就有光。上帝的話是主宰的曉諭，是掌主權，全權的話語。唯有上帝有絕對「控制世界」的能力（賽 55: 10-11）。上帝是「憑己意行萬事」的主（弗 1: 5, 9, 11）。

If “mind over matter” means that what we think can control the physical world (our bodies, our circumstances, etc.), then only God has that power. Only God – the God of the Bible – has that power rightfully and absolutely. When God thinks and says something, he brings things into existence. God says “Let there be light,” and there is light. God Word is the Word of the Lord; it is a sovereign, all-powerful Word. Only God has absolute power of “mind over matter” (Isaiah 55:10-11). God does all things according to the counsel of his will (Eph. 1:5, 9, 11).

3. 上帝按照自己的形象創造人（創 1: 26-28）。上帝是無限的，祂所造的人是有限的。可是人的確是上帝的形象，人有某些方面「像」上帝的性格。因此，人的理性論思想，在某一個程度上，是上帝思想的「形象」，是「類比」上帝思維的思維 (analogical knowledge)。當然，上帝的意念不是我們的意念，祂的道路不是我們的道路（賽 55: 8-9）。祂是無限的，我們不是；祂是掌主權的，我們不是；祂是無罪的，聖潔的，我們不是。所以，我們的思想不可能一想就「創造」一件事出來（除非被邪惡靈控制）。我們必須以順服上帝的話的心來使用我們的思想；我們的思想必須是「守約順服」的行為。

God created man in his own image (Gen. 1:26-28). God is infinite, man is infinite, but man is God’s image. We do bear some resemblance to God’s character. Therefore, man’s mind and man’s thoughts are “analogical to” (an image of) God’s mind and God’s thoughts. Of course, God’s thoughts are not our thoughts, and his ways are not our ways (Isaiah 55:8-9) – he is infinite, we are not; he is sovereign, we are not; he is sinless, we are not. So our minds do not “create” things into being (unless we are controlled by an evil spirit). We are to use our minds in submission to his revelation, in “covenant obedience.”

4. 任何人試圖（或教導人）使用自己的思想來控制物質世界的，都有奪去上帝權利的嫌疑。所以上帝禁止我們行邪術！（申 18 章。）新紀元哲學事實上相信我們就是上帝，因此我們應該以上帝自居，這樣生活。這簡直是褻瀆！

Any attempt to teach man to use his mind to control matter, is suspect of usurping the power that only God rightfully exercises. That is why God forbids sorcery and witchcraft (Deut. Chapter 18). New Age philosophy, in fact, believes that we ARE God, so we should think and act as if we ARE God. This is blasphemy!

5. 我們應該效法上帝的思維而思維 (think God’s thoughts after God)；換言之，以信靠，順服《聖經》的心來思想一切的事。（參：傅蘭姆，范泰爾的著作。）

We should learn to “think God’s thoughts after God” – in other words, in faith and in obedience to Scripture. (Cf. John M. Frame, *The Doctrine of the Knowledge of God*; and the writings of Cornelius Van Til.)