The Christian Way of Life

2. Memory Center

This refers to long-term memory traces containing Bible doctrine. They are referred to in Scripture by the phrase "straight wheel-tracks of righteousness." (Hebrews 12:13; Psalm 23:3)

The frame of reference classifies all incoming data and develops vocabulary terms, reference points, and terminology for accessing information stored in long-term memory. The memory center contains the content of what the frame of reference classifies and indexes. These memory traces are established by means of the Holy Spirit's power and sovereignty over the soul during His filling ministry.

In fact, taken as a complete process, the teaching, storage, and recall aspects of His filling ministry is called the Mentorship of the Holy Spirit. This is what we have referred to in computer terminology as the Multiplexing Ministry of the Holy Spirit and what David might call, "*leading and guiding in the wheel-tracks of righteousness*."

For consistent application to occur, all memories must be facilitated. The Holy Spirit delegates to the believer the necessary power to choose a new wheel- track of righteousness in favor of an old wheel-track of wickedness.

Application cannot occur if recall doesn't occur first.

Once problem-solving devices are stored in the long-term memory traces, they may be recalled under the power of the Holy Spirit. Problems may be solved, decisions made, and new spiritual data classified whenever pertinent doctrine is circulating in the conscious mind.

Frame of reference serves as the internal stimulus which triggers recall of pertinent memory traces to the conscious mind. Therefore, the brain's divinely established memory traces—the wheel-tracks of righteousness—serve as the link between the frame of reference and the other five compartments of the stream of consciousness.

3. Vocabulary Storage

This comprises certain memory traces in Wernicke's area by which the soul stores definitions to spiritually related words, phrases, concepts, doctrines, and ideas. This serves as your dictionary. It enables you to choose the right words which give meaning to your thoughts and ideas.

For example, someone might say, "Do you think the current violence in the Middle East is a sign that the Rapture is about to occur?" The first place this data goes is the auditory area and then to Wernicke's area.

If your frame of reference has an index on subjects such as the Middle East, violence in the Middle East, the Rapture, and the Arab-Israeli conflict, then it will stimulate recall beginning with the Memory Center. You may then utilize your spiritual vocabulary to explain your view of why the answer to the question is a very definite No! The larger the vocabulary the greater number of memory traces the Holy Spirit will be able to associate in the conscious mind.

All data in long-term memory related to a specific biblical doctrine and classified into one of the eleven branches of systematic theology.

Doctrine is classified into categories according to its subject matter. By the comparison of Scripture with Scripture major biblical subjects emerge and crystallize into doctrines. As this occurs, the subject matter may be classified into one of the eleven major branches of systematic theology. As the vocabulary of one portion of Scripture leads you to a similar reference in another passage, associations develop.