

## FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH & EMOTIONAL WELLNESS

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This course explores the intersection of **Christian faith and mental health**, equipping participants with spiritual insights, practical tools, and foundational knowledge to support emotional wellness in faith communities.

#### This Worksheet:

- Reinforces key course concepts and encourages retention through repetition and personal engagement
- -Prompts participants to explore their thoughts, emotions, and spiritual beliefs in a structured way
- Encourages deeper self-awareness and personal growth through journaling and Scripture-based questions
- -Translates abstract concepts into actionable steps (e.g., coping strategies, prayer routines, support plans)
- Helps learners integrate biblical principles with mental health practices in daily life
- Offers tools for reframing negative thoughts using Scripture and therapeutic techniques
- Serves as a reference for continued growth beyond the course

© Lesson1: Understanding Mental Health in a Faith Context

#### **Reflection Questions:**

- What scriptures have challenged or comforted my understanding of emotional wellness?
- In what ways have I separated mental wellness from spiritual growth?
- What habits support my emotional clarity? What habits hinder it?
- How do I care for my whole self spiritually, emotionally, physically?

Yellness Web" — a diagram connecting body, mind, spirit, and community. Annotate where support is strong and where healing is needed.

	Lesson 2: Breaking Stigmas Around Emotional Pain
Space for Journaling: Responding to reflection questions	Reflection Questions:  Have I ever felt shamed for expressing sadness, grief, or numbness?  What cultural or spiritual expectations have silenced my emotional needs?  How do I define strength today? Has that definition changed?  What does Jesus' emotional honesty teach me about vulnerability?  Optional Exercise: Write a "Letter of Permission" — a personal declaration that you are allowed to rest, feel, and seek help without guilt.

#### **Reflection Questions:**

- What labels have I carried that do not reflect God's truth about me?
- How have past experiences shaped my selfimage?
- Where do I find security when my emotions feel unstable?
- What scripture affirms my identity when I feel emotionally lost?

© Optional Exercise: Build a "Scripture Shield" select 3–5 verses that affirm your identity in Christ. Write them on cards, decorate them, and place them where you can see them daily.

Space for Journaling: Responding to reflection questions

## Module Two: Reflection Questions

#### Lesson 1: Emotional Numbness

- When did I first notice my emotions becoming silent or distant?
- What thoughts come up when I try to feel fear, shame, exhaustion?
- Where has my body held tension or avoided rest due to emotional fatigue?

Space for Journaling: Responding to reflection questions	
	Lesson 2: Silence & Absence
Space for Journaling: Responding to reflection questions	<ul> <li>What does it mean to me when I say "I don't feel loved" — emotionally, spiritually, relationally?</li> <li>Have I ever felt distant from God? What did I believe about myself in that moment?</li> <li>What does "holy silence" look like in my life?</li> </ul>

# Lesson 3: Devotional Love How do I currently express love when emotions feel muted?

- What does devotion look like on dry days?
- What faith-based rhythms help me walk even when I don't feel?

Space for Journaling: Responding to reflection questions

#### **Reflection Questions:**

## Module 3 Worksheet Add-Ons

#### **Spiritual Warfare Awareness**

- What emotional patterns feel sudden or unexplainable?
- How does confusion or anxiety show up in my spiritual rhythms?

• Have I noticed any inner dialogue that contradicts God's truth about me?

#### **Clarity & Truth**

- What lies have I agreed with that need replacing?
- What scriptures restore clarity when I feel mentally foggy?
- How can I create rhythms of spiritual focus in my day?

## Warfare Practices

- What daily habits strengthen my spiritual "armor"?
- Where do I need boundaries to protect my peace?
- How does breath prayer shift my internal atmosphere?

#### **Optional Exercises:**

#### **→** 1. Thought Exchange Template

Negative	Emotional	Biblical	Declaration
Thought	Impact	Truth	
"I'm alone"	Anxiety	Hebrews 13:5	"God will never leave me"

#### → 2. Armor Inventory Assessment

Rate each on a scale of 1–5:

- Helmet of Salvation (clarity of identity)
- Breastplate of Righteousness (emotional protection)
- Sword of the Spirit (Word activation)
- Shield of Faith (deflection of lies)

**Reflect**: Where is my armor strong? Where is it compromised?

#### → 3. Breath Prayer Cards

Design 3 prayer cards:

- Inhale: "Peace of God" → Exhale: "Covers me"
- Inhale: "I am grounded" → Exhale: "In Christ's truth"
- Inhale: "No weapon formed..." → Exhale: "Shall prosper"

#### "Armor in Action" Journaling Prompts

	Which piece of armor feels easiest to activate right		
	now? Which feels neglected?		
	Where have you recently sensed mental warfare,		
	and how did your spiritual armor respond?		
	<ul> <li>How does your body tell you it's time to spiritually gear up (e.g., tension, apathy, confusion)?</li> <li>What physical routines (drinking herbal tea, anointing oil, movement) reinforce armor</li> </ul>		
	activation?		
Space for Journaling:			
Responding to reflection questions			
Module 4: Reflection	Biblical Stewardship		
Questions	<ul> <li>How do I view my body in light of stewardship and healing?</li> <li>What misconceptions have I held about herbs or holistic care?</li> <li>Where is God inviting me to restore balance — physically and spiritually?</li> </ul>		

#### Herbal Integration

- Which herbs support my current emotional or spiritual season?
- How do I invite God into my herbal wellness routines?
- What rituals can I create around tea, reflection, and prayer?

#### **Worksheet Exercises**

#### "Tea + Truth Ritual Builder"

Create a personalized healing ritual:

- Tea Chosen: \_\_\_\_\_
  Scripture to Reflect On: \_\_\_\_\_
- Prayer Focus: \_\_\_\_\_
- Journaling Prompt: \_\_\_\_

#### "Herbal Stewardship Covenant"

Write a short declaration of intent to honor your body through wise, prayerful herbal support. Example:

"I commit to nourishing my temple with grace and discernment. Each sip, stretch, and stillness is an act of worship and wellness. I honor healing as holy."

### Module 5: Reflection Questions & Prompts

#### Personal Stewardship

- What lies have I believed about mental health or emotional strength?
- How has God been inviting me to renew my thinking?
- What rituals can I create around mental decluttering, scripture, and silence?

#### Community Advocacy

- Who around me needs empowerment to steward their mind?
- How can I share my story in a way that heals, not just reveals?
- What systems need dismantling to allow mental freedom within faith spaces?

#### **Prompt: "Thoughts That Heal"**

Complete the sentences:

- The lie I used to believe is:
- God's truth about my identity is: \_
- A daily mental protection ritual I commit to:
- A woman I will encourage this week is:

## Module 6: Reflection Questions

#### **Emotional Awareness**

- What does emotional silence feel like in my body, my spirit, my relationships?
- When did I last feel emotionally overwhelmed, and how did I protect myself?

#### **Devotional Love**

- What actions do I choose even when emotions are absent?
- Where has God shown up for me in my numbness, not just in my passion?

#### Reconnection

- What gentle rituals could help me rebuild connection—with God, with others, with myself?
- How can I honor my story without rushing back to feeling?

#### Worksheet Exercise: "Silent Love Script"

Complete this journal page with quiet devotion:

- *One truth I believe even when I don't feel it:*
- One act of love I gave today, even without emotion:

