

Jeremiah 17:9 "<u>The heart</u> is deceitful above all things, and it is exceedingly corrupt: who can know it?"

Matthew 15:18-20 "But the things which proceed out of the mouth come forth out of <u>the heart</u>; and they defile the man. For out of <u>the heart</u> come forth evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, railings: these are the things which defile the man"

Acts 15:8-9 "And God, who knoweth the heart, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Spirit, even as he did unto us; and he made no distinction between us and them, cleansing their hearts by faith."

The Human Heart

Thinks Genesis 6:5; Proverbs 23:7

- Reasons Mark 2:8
- Understands Matthew 13:15
- Believes Acts 8:37; Romans 10:10

Intellect

The Human Heart

- Plans and Intends Hebrews 4:12
- Purposes 2 Corinthians 9:7
- Executes obedience Romans 6:17



The Human Heart

- Desires Romans 10:1
- Loves Matthew 22:37
- Trusts Proverbs 3:5

Emotions

The Human Heart

- God knows our heart. Luke 16:15
- God judges our ways ... come from our heart. Matthew. 12:34-35
- Must examine & improve heart to examine & improve self.
 - Proverbs 27:19 "As in water face (answereth) to face, So the heart of man to man."
 - (cf. Luke 15:11-24)

Contrasting Hearts

<u>Saul</u>

- After the people's heart. 1 Samuel 8:19-20; 10:24
- Disobedience, offered excuses.
 1 Samuel 10:8; 13:8-13

<u>David</u>

- After God's heart 1 Samuel 13:14; Acts 13:22
- David sinned, but repented without excuses

David: A Man After God's Own Heart Acts 13:22; 1 Samuel 13:14

An Obedient Heart

◆ Saul disobeyed. 1 Samuel 13:13; 15:22-23

Made excuses.

- David obeyed ("who shall do all My will")
 Inquired of God. 1 Samuel 23:2, 4; 2 Samuel 5:19, 23; John 6:68
- We must obey from the heart. *Romans* 6:17; *Matthew*. 7:24-25

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A Servants Heart. Psalms 89:20

- ◆Humble before God. 2 Samuel 12:1-8; Psalms 32:5 (Psalms 6:1-6)
- Obtains mercy. Luke 18:13-14 (cf. verse 9)
- ◆ Serves others, 1 Peter 5:5-6; cf. Matthew. 25:40
 - Jesus. John 13:12-17 ; Matthew. 20:20-28;
 - Serve one another. *Galatians 5:13*

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<u>A Loyal Heart</u>

- Confidently trusted God. 1 Samuel 17:31-37; cf. 2 Samuel 22:1-4
 - Trusted God's justice & mercy.
 - Numbering. 2 Samuel 24:10-14
- ♦ Good & honest heart. Luke 8:15

David's Example Gives Us Hope

God receives sinful men who have a heart to obey, to serve & to be loyal

- ◆David found favor before God. Acts 7:45-46
- David was forgiven because his heart was broken. Psalms 51:1-3, 10-13, 16-17
- "Blessed is the man whose iniquities are forgiven." Romans 4:6-8

A People After God's Own Heart

Proverbs 4:23 "Keep thy heart with all diligence; For out of it are the issues of life."