

Your Heart of FAITH

1. KNOWING your HEART

Proverbs 3:5 (*kjv*)

“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.”

Proverbs 4:23 (*kjv*)

“Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.”

Note:

The heart is the inner control center of life.
What fills the heart will shape everything else.

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2. Four Conditions of the Heart

1. Natural Heart

Jeremiah 17:9 (*kjv*)

“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?”

The default human heart is easily deceived and self-led.

2. Hardened Heart

Hebrews 3:15 (*kjv*)

“Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts...”

A hardened heart resists God through repeated refusal.

3. Divided Heart

James 1:8 (*kjv*)

“A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.”

A divided heart wants God, but still clings to other loyalties.

4. New Heart

Ezekiel 36:26 (*kjv*)

“A new heart also will I give you... and I will take away the stony heart...”

God’s answer is not self-improvement, but heart transformation.

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3. Pharaoh and the Danger of Hardening

Exodus 8:15 (*kjv*)

“He (Pharaoh) hardened his heart...”

Exodus 9:12 (*kjv*)

“And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh...”

Romans 1:28 (*kjv*)

“God gave them over to a reprobate mind...”

Note:

First, Pharaoh resisted God. Then God confirmed the path Pharaoh had chosen. Hardening begins with repeated resistance to truth.

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4. Faith Fills the Heart & Speaks

Romans 10:10 (kjv)

“For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”

2 Corinthians 4:13 (kjv)

“I believed, and therefore have I spoken...”

Matthew 12:34 (kjv)

“For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.”

Note:

Heart → belief

Mouth → confession

What fills the heart eventually comes out in words & actions.

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5. How to Keep the Heart Soft and Pliable

Psalm 51:17 (*kjv*)

“A broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.”

Psalm 139:23–24 (*kjv*)

“Search me, O God, and know my heart...”

2 Chronicles 7:14 (*kjv*)

“If my people... shall humble themselves...”

Note:

A soft heart stays tender through:

- humility
- quick repentance
- honest prayer
- obedience when God speaks

Closing Thought

A hardened heart forms when truth is repeatedly resisted.

A softened heart forms when we continually respond to God.

Ezekiel 36:26 (*kjv*)

“I will take away the stony heart... and I will give you an heart of flesh.”

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