## Heart Trouble

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## Introduction

- 1. 1 Chronicles 28:9
- 2. We pay attention to the physical heart
  - a. We exercise to keep our heart functioning properly
  - b. We diet to keep the heart functioning properly
  - c. We take medication to keep the heart properly functioning
- 3. The spiritual heart needs attention also
  - a. We are to keep it Proverbs 4:23
  - b. We know that it is what comes out of the heart that defiles a man Matthew 15:16-20
  - c. We must have a pure heart Matthew 5:8; 1 Timothy 1:5
- 4. The Lord searches all hearts, what would He find with mine or yours? Acts 8:21

## II Discussion

- 1. Would He find a heart that is content with disobedience?
  - a. Saul had a heart of disobedience 1 Samuel 15:2-3, 13-14, 20-23
  - b. Jeremiah asked them to walk in the old paths but they refused Jeremiah 6:16
  - c. Are we trying to force God to accept worship that is not right Matthew 15:8-9
  - d. Jesus wants us to obey Him Hebrews 5:8-9
- 2. Would He find a heart that has divided loyalties?
  - a. No man can serve two masters Matthew 6:24
  - b. One can see whom we have chosen to serve Romans 6:16-18
  - c. This divides is from God Isaiah 59:1-2
  - d. Jesus wants unity John 17:20-21; Romans 12:4-5
- 3. Would He find a heart that delays until tomorrow?
  - a. We cannot count upon tomorrow James 4:14
  - b. We can miss the blessings that God has planned for us Numbers 13:33-14:40,44
  - c. Our convenient season may never come Acts 24:24-25
  - d. There is a time of obedience Jeremiah 8:20; 2 Corinthians 6:1-2

## **III Conclusion**

- 1. Jesus is standing at the door of our heart knocking Revelation 3:20
- 2. He is asking permission to come in this day and dine, will you allow Him or refuse Him?
- 3. What will He find as He searches our heart?
  - a. A disobedient heart
  - b. A divided heart
  - c. A delaying heart
- 4. These hearts need to be changed by the Great Physician
- 5. He is willing if you will open your heart Acts 16:14

Sources: Sermon by Jerry Martin @ICYC 2009; Heart Trouble off of internet; Thompson chain