A MATTER OF THE HEART

Marked – Week 15
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KEY SCRIPTURES

- Mark 7:20-23
- Ecclesiastes 9:3
- Romans 2:28-29
- 1 Corinthians 4:5
- 1 Corinthians 14:24-25
- Luke 6:43-45

KEY POINTS

- The heart of the problem is the problem of the heart.
- “Soul words” are intangible but we respond to them because they are intrinsically more than just words.
- The heart is the center of all thinking, willing, feeling, and moral life.
- With enough sin, you can undo some of the benefits of God’s grace.
- The Scripture describes our hearts as being made of stone or as being changed to flesh.
- A new disposition is a new nature, a new approach to life. We have been given new life, a new chance, a new outlook. We walk in a new realm and not in the old realm.
- Someone who refuses to “listen” contributes to a disposition in himself of not wanting to hear, not wanting to believe, and darkens his understanding.
- Without the Spirit, the human heart is a poor student of the Word of God!
- On the far side of the problem with the heart is repentance.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Which “soul words” are common in your conversations?
2. How can you tell if your heart has been changed from stone to flesh?
3. With enough sin, you can undo some of the benefits of God’s grace. Agree or disagree?
4. Why would repentance be important in solving the heart issue? Can you share an example?