

A TOPICAL STUDY OF THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

Lesson 2

SECTION I: WHO AND WHAT I AM
TOPIC: YOU AND YOUR HEART

INTRODUCTION

The heart is the most in depth point of the spiritual life. It is the seat of the whole inner man. God is very concerned with the heart and His Word has a lot to say about it. Within the book of Proverbs alone the word "heart" appears nearly 100 times. This week's study is designed to focus on some of the reasons it is important for us to attend to our hearts.

"Watch over your hearts with all diligence for out of it flow the springs of life."
Proverbs 4:23

SCRIPTURE SEARCH

This part of your homework highlights the scriptures found in Proverbs on this topic. Look up and comment on some or all of those listed below:

THE VARIOUS KINDS OF HEARTS

Proverbs 6:18 (wicked) _____

Proverbs 7:6-10 (sensual) _____

Proverbs 12:20 (deceptive) _____

Proverbs 14:10 (bitter) _____

THE CARE OF THE HEART

Proverbs 2:2 _____

Proverbs 3:1 _____

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Proverbs 3:3 _____

Proverbs 3:5 _____

Proverbs 4:23 _____

SCRIPTURE RESEARCH

This part of your homework gives additional Biblical references for this topic. Look up and comment on *at least* one verse in each topic:

General Reference

Romans 10:10 _____

Matthew 15:18 _____

Luke 6:45 _____

Wholeheartedness

Deuteronomy 6:5 _____

Psalms 119:2 _____

Jeremiah 29:13 _____

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Heartlessness

Genesis 4:9 _____

Luke 10:31,32 _____

James 2:16 _____

Hardheartedness

Romans 2:5 _____

Hebrews 3:13 _____

Renewed

Psalms 57:7 _____

Luke 8:15 _____

SCRIPTURE REACTION

As you searched and researched the scriptures on this topic, which ones spoke most strongly to you?

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SCRIPTURAL ACTION

What actions do you now need to incorporate into your life to fulfill your responsibility to these scriptures? What plans need to be made and what steps need to be taken to bring you into proper alignment with God's Word? Enter your prayer for this plan in the prayer journal section of your notebook.

SCRIPTURE CHALLENGE

This part of homework is provided for those who want a deeper understanding of this topic.

Read II Chronicles 12. What can you learn about your heart from the story of King Rehoboam in this chapter?

Consider what David said to his son Solomon in I Chronicles 28:9. Apply these instructions to yourself.

Meditate on and memorize the following scripture:

"For the word of God is quick and powerful, sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow; and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12

