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Mission & Motto

Love GOD

Love People

**What does God want from us?
What is God's will for our lives?
Why should we love God? (1 John 4:19*)**

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Why should we love God?

We love Him

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How does God want you to love Him?

- a) With ____ your _____**
- b) With ____ your _____**
- c) With ____ your _____**
- d) With ____ your _____**

**These are ways we express our
love & devotion to God**

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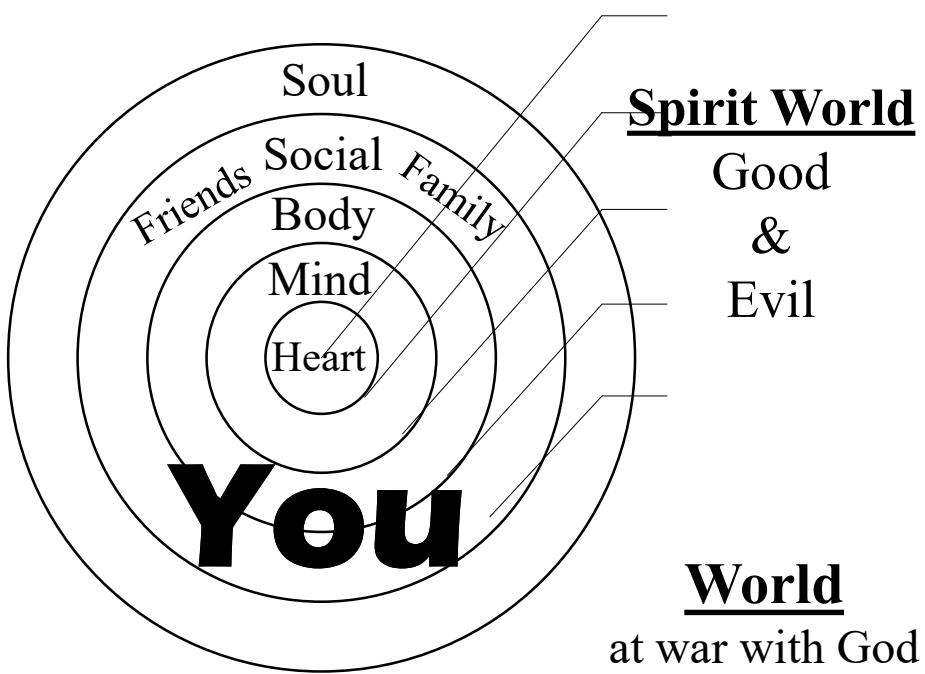
Heart

- Used over 800+ times in English Bible
 - Occasionally, speaks of the organ in body
 - **Mostly, speaks of the _____ that is in a person**
 - **invisible spirit part of you.**
- You are going to run across this word often.
- Let's see some ways we will encounter it, so we can get an idea of what it means to "love God with all your heart"

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God

- Father
- Jesus
- Spirit



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Heart

- **It's the part of us for "knowing" or "experiencing" life, God and each other.**

Philippians 3:10

that I may _____ and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death

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Heart

Deuteronomy 8:2-3

2 "And you shall remember that the LORD your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you and test you, to _____ whether you would keep His commandments or not.

(continue)

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Heart

Deuteronomy 8:2-3

3 "So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might _____ that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.

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Heart

• It's where we experience _____ and inner _____.

Proverbs 15:13

A _____ makes a cheerful countenance, but by _____ of the heart the _____.

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Heart

Jesus, Luke 4:18

"The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to

_____...

(_____, shattered, crushed)

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Heart

Psalm 51:17

**The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a _____ and a _____ -These, O God,
You will not despise.**

- Broken = hurt, _____**
- Contrite = sorrow for sin, _____, humble**

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Heart

- **It's where we understand, discern, have _____ and make _____.** **(our will)**

1 Kings 3:9

"Therefore give to Your servant an _____ to _____ Your people, that I may _____ between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?"
(= listening heart, wise heart)

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Heart

- **It's the place of our most intimate _____, hopes and dreams.** **(good or bad)**

2 Samuel 7:13

Then Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that is _____, for the LORD is with you."

Psalm 37:4

Delight yourself also in the LORD, and He shall give you the _____.

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Heart

- **It's the place in us that _____, _____, mercy and compassion flow from.**

Psalm 111:1

Praise the LORD! I will _____ the LORD with my _____, in the assembly of the upright and in the congregation.

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Heart

Jeremiah 29:13

And you will _____ Me and find Me, when you search for Me with

1 Samuel 13:14

"But now your kingdom shall not continue. The LORD has sought for Himself a _____..."

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Heart

Jesus, John 4:23
"But the hour is coming, and
now is, when the true worshipers
will worship the Father

for the Father is seeking
such to worship Him.

Good Heart

- _____ Heart (Matt 5:8)
- _____ Heart (Ps 97:11)
- _____ & Noble Heart (Luke 8:15)
- _____ Heart (Prov 16:23)
- _____ Heart (2 Chron 19:9)
- _____ Heart (2 Kings 22:19)

Bad Heart

- Hard
- Stubborn
- Wicked
- Evil
- Corrupt
- Perverse
- Deceitful
- Proud, Vain
- Rebellious
- Unbelieving
- Doubting
- Far from God
- Dull
- Fearful
- Troubled
- Double, Divided
- Blind, Darkened

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The Problem with the Heart

Jeremiah 17:9

**"The heart is _____ above all things, and _____;
Who can know it?**

- **Deceitful = fraudulent**
- **Desperately wicked = sick, incurable, twisted out of shape**

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Here's What Has to Happen

Ezekiel 36:25-27

25 "Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols.

26 "I will _____ and put a _____ within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

27 "I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

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New Heart

- **Jesus, John 3 – born again**
- **2 Corinthians 5:17 – new creation**
 - God starts with the heart.
- **David, Psalm 51:10 – create in me a clean heart**

Love God “with all our heart”

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Shema

Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD alone. 'And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'