

## Pastor's Weekly Devotional- September 10, 2015

### **"Matters of the Heart"**

Biblically, the term "heart" represents our whole inner being. The Greek word for "heart" is KARDIA, from which we form such words as cardiology. Here is a brief explanation of the "heart" according to the Bible:

The heart is the center of the inner life of a person and the source or seat of all the focus and functions of soul and spirit...The heart is supremely the one center in a person to which God turns, in which the religious life is rooted, which determines moral conduct.

The bible describes various kinds of hearts. Some are Evil and some are Good.

#### Evil Heart

A Cunning Heart  
A Scheming Heart  
A Deceptive Heart  
A Haughty Heart  
An Envious Heart

#### Good Heart

A Righteous Heart  
A Pure Heart  
A Glad Heart  
A Tranquil Heart  
A Wise Heart

### ***What is it that determines the kind of heart we all have?***

First, OUR THOUGHTS. "As a person thinks so is he" (Proverbs 23:7a). It all begins with the seed thoughts we allow to flourish in our minds.

Second, OUR SPEECH. "Death and life are in the power of the tongue" (Proverbs 18:21a).

Third, OUR MONEY. "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Luke 12:34). Read your expenditures, you'll likely find where your treasure is buried (on what you spent).

The heart is where the Holy Spirit communicates truth. So guard it. Preserve it. Nothing more sacred belongs to you than your heart. Keep watch over it well. Then ask yourself: "What kind of heart do I really have?"

This Sunday is National Grandparents Day. So come and bring your grandchildren. Note that our regular service begins this Sunday at 10:00 a.m. The sermon will examine "The Meaning of Worship."

Have a blessed week. See you in church Sunday.  
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