

FIXING YOUR HEART

Acts 8:18-21

INTRO:

- A. Peter told Simon that his heart was not right before God.
- B. How is our heart involved in the choices we make?

I. UNDERSTANDING THE HEART

- A. Where we think. Psalm 19:14; Matthew 15:19
- B. Where we understand. Matthew 13:13-15
- C. Where we love. Matthew 22:37-40
- D. Includes the conscience. I John 3:18-21

II. HEART CONDITIONS

- A. Noble & good. Luke 8:12-15
 - 1. Willing. Exodus 35:21-22
 - 2. Obedient. Romans 6:17-18
- B. Hard and blind. Ephesians 4:17-18
 - 1. Unrepentant. Romans 2:4-6

III. SIMON'S HEART

- A. Claimed to be someone great. Acts 8:9-10
- B. He believed and obeyed. Acts 8:5-8, 12-13
- C. Saw the apostles' power. Acts 8:14-19
- D. Your heart is not right. Acts 8:20-21

IV. FIXING YOUR HEART

- A. Simon, repent & pray. Acts 8:22
- B. Purify your heart. James 4:7-10
- C. Purified by faith. Acts 15:7-9
 - 1. And obedience. I Peter 1:22-23

CONCLUSION:

- A. All our actions start in the heart with the way we hear and think and understand.
- B. Is your heart open to God's word to believe and obey?
- C. If you will turn your heart to Him and obey Him He will wash you white as snow.
- D. Are you ready to give Him your heart today?