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Heart Trouble

Isaiah 29:13-16

Matthew 15:1-20

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Proverbs 4:12

I. God sees our heart.

(1 Samuel 16:7; Hebrews 4:12)

II. Principles from the old testament.

(Isaiah 30:1; 29:13-14)

1. The first symptom of heart trouble – the spiritual life becomes superficial and routine.
2. The second symptom – we often try to operate in secrecy from God.
3. The third symptom – we sometimes tend to see God as no more important than ourselves.

III. Principles from the new testament.

(Matthew 15:1-6)

1. The fourth symptom of heart trouble – caring more about external tradition than about God's word.
(Matthew 15:7-9)
2. The fifth symptom of heart trouble – practicing hypocrisy rather than molding authenticity.
(Matthew 15:10-11, 18-20)

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IV. A look inside our heart.

1. Has my worship become dry and formal?
2. Has my prayer life become rote and meaningless?
3. Does God seem distant from me as I go about my daily life?
4. Do I wonder whether He really knows what I do or think?
5. Do I find myself preoccupied with worldly things to the exclusion of spiritual things?
6. Are my desires in line with God's desires?
7. Has acceptance by others become more important to me than God's truth in my life?
8. Do I tolerate, or even cultivate, evil in my life?