

## JUST A FEW BIBLICAL REFERENCES:

Exodus 35: 21 And they came, everyone whose **heart** stirred him, and everyone whose spirit moved him, and brought the Lord's offering. . . . Exodus Chapters 7, 8, & 9 describe Pharaoh's "hardness of **heart**."

Deuteronomy 11: 13 14 And if you will obey my commandments which I command you today, to love the LORD your God and to serve Him with all your **heart** and with all your soul, He will give you the rain for your land in its season.

*Notice that in both these verses, there are different words for "heart," "soul" and "spirit."*

Deuteronomy 32: 46 Moses said to them, "Take to **heart** all the words by which I am warning you today.

Judges 9: 3 And [Abimelech's] mother's kinsmen spoke all these words on his behalf in the ears of all the men of Shechem, and their **hearts** inclined to follow Abimelech.

I Samuel 7: 3 Then Samuel said to all the House of Israel, "If you are returning to the LORD with all your **heart**, then put away the foreign gods and the Ashtaroth from among you and direct your **heart** to the Lord, and serve Him only."

Proverbs 4: 23 Keep your **heart** with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of Life.

As we have seen Many, many Psalms

Ecclesiastes 8: 5 He who obeys a command will meet no harm, for the wise **heart** will know the proper time and the just way.

Isaiah 57: 15 For thus says the high and lofty One Who inhabits eternity, whose name is holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the **heart** of the contrite.

Jeremiah 24: 7 I will give them a **heart** to know that I am the LORD; and they shall be My people and I will be their God, for they shall return to Me with their whole **heart**.

Jeremiah 31:33 But this is the Covenant which I will make with the House of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it upon their **hearts**, and I will be their God and they will be My people.

Ezekiel 11: 19 And I will give them **one heart**, and put a new spirit within them; I will take the stony **heart** out of their flesh and give them a **heart** of flesh that they may walk in My statutes.

Ezekiel 36: 26 A new **heart** I will give you and a new spirit I will put within you.

Joel 2: 13 Rend you **hearts** and not your garments. Return to the LORD, your God, for He is for He is gracious and merciful and abounding in steadfast love. (quoted from the RSV)

In the New Testament, there is a great emphasis on the meaning and importance of the Heart.

Matthew: 5: 8 Blessed are the pure in **heart**.

6: 21 for where your treasure is, there will your **heart** be also

11: 20 [Jesus said] Learn from Me, for I am meek and humble of **heart**.

12: 34 out of the **heart** the mouth speaks.

13: 15 For this people's **heart** has grown dull, and their ears are hard of hearing, and their eyes are shut, lest they should perceive with their eyes and hear with their ears and **understand with their hearts**, and turn to Me that I may heal them.

Luke 24: 32 Did not our **hearts** burn within us while He talked with us on the road?

John 7: 38 [Jesus]: He who believes in Me. . . out of his **heart** shall flow rivers of living water.

John 14: 1 and also 27 Jesus says: "Let not your **hearts** be troubled."

There are 19 uses of the word "Heart" in the Book of The Acts of the Apostles which refer to conversion from immoral lives and pagan beliefs to Faith in Jesus Christ in the "**Heart.**"

I John 3: 20 For if our **hearts** condemn us, God is greater than our **hearts**.