

The Heart of a Manifested
Son of God Part 2

Guarding the Heart

Overview: To be a Manifested Son of God requires a heart commitment. When we put the Word of God in our hearts and guard the Word in our hearts; and when we guard our hearts from those things that are not the Word of God we set in motion the spiritual processes that result in the manifestation of the glory of God through our lives.

A. His Calling – Our Consecration

1. Relationships.

Luk 14:25-27 And there went great multitudes with him: and he turned, and said unto them, 26 If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, **he cannot be my disciple.**

2. All that you have.

Luk 14:27-33 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, **cannot be my disciple.** 28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it? 29 Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him, 30 Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish. 31 Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? 32 Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace. 33 So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, **he cannot be my disciple.**

3. All that you are.

Luk 14:34-35 Salt is good: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be seasoned? 35 It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; but men cast it out. **He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.**

B. Changing the Heart

1. Hearing the Call to Sonship.

Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

2. Heart Processes – Prov 4:20-27

Pro 4:20-27 My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. 21 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. 22 For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh. 23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life. 24 Put away from thee a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee. 25 Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee. 26 Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established. 27 Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil.

a. Flowing into the Heart.

- Taking in the Word – Five Senses (eyes, ears etc) through our mind.
- Attitude toward the Word – Prick up your ears, lean in and reach to hear every word.
- Doing the Word – attend to, can also mean to hearken and do.
- Make the Word a focus, keep your face in the Word.

b. Guard the Word in the midst of your heart.

- Keep the Word in your mouth and meditate (mutter) day and night (Josh 1:8)

- c. Guard your heart from that which defiles
 - Diligently – Above all that thou guardest keep thy heart (JPS).
 - Watch your mouth.
 - Not froward – habitually disobedient.
 - Not perverse – departing from what is right.
 - Watch your five senses (focused – not straying from the Word (righteousness)).
 - Watch your actions.
 - Ponder (consider, weigh, prepare) the path of your feet.
 - Remove thy foot from evil – Repent from the wrong paths.
- d. The Flow from the heart.
 - Issues/sources of life.
 - Make a clear path for the glory in you to be manifested through you.

3. Heart Processes – Mark 4:14-20

Mar 4:14-20 The sower soweth the word. 15 And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts. 16 And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with gladness; 17 And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended. 18 And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word, 19 And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful. 20 And these are they which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and receive it, and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred.

a. Sow the Word – one of the mysteries of the Kingdom (Matt 13:10-18).

- To understand, believe and bear the fruit of the Word (saved and made free).

b. Hard Heart.

- Hear but do not understand (Mat 13:19).
- Do not have an evil heart of unbelief (Heb 3:12).
- Receive the engrafted word into your heart with meekness (James 1:21).

c. Rocky/Shallow Heart.

- Having no root in themselves – hear, understand but has not become convinced by practice of the Word and commitment to the Word.
- When pressure comes against the Word they retreat from the Word.
- Believe that God cannot lie and His Word is true no matter what (Heb 6:18).

d. Thorny Heart.

- Choked by: cares of life, desires, iniquities and distractions.

e. Good Heart.

- Less is more – get out the corruptible seeds, the impure seeds (guard your heart).
- The purer the ground of your heart the greater the harvest.
- Hunger and thirst for righteousness (Matt 5:6-8).

4. A Heart purified and unified, set on God

Psa_86:11 Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name.

1 Tim 1:5 Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned:

5. The flow of the Anointing out of us is: From our Spirit, through our Heart which affects our entire being (soul, mind and body) and the world around us through our words and works. **The Heart is the key** – out of our heart flow all the issues of life (life and glory of God) Pro 4:23.

6. The process of the transformed heart is: From our mind (renewed by the Word), down into our heart by actions and words of faith powered by the Holy Spirit (wisdom, revelation and understanding) cf. Eph 1:17, Eph 3:16, Jam 1:21-22 and Gal 3:1-3.

Parable of the Sower in Parallel

Matt 13:18-23

Mat 13:18 Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.

Mat 13:19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

Mat 13:20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;

Mat 13:21 Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

Mat 13:22 He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

Mat 13:23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

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Luke 8:11-15

Luk 8:11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

Luk 8:12 Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.

Luk 8:13 They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.

Luk 8:14 And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

Luk 8:15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.