



**ALL THESE THINGS COME FROM WITHIN,  
AND THEY DEFILE THE MAN**  
MARK 7:14-23

Opposing reactions;

**MATTHEW 15:12-14**

<sup>12</sup> Then the disciples came and said to him, *"Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this saying?"* <sup>13</sup> He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up. <sup>14</sup> Let them alone; they are blind guides. And if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit."

**JOHN 3:19**

<sup>19</sup> And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and *people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil.*

**JOHN 10:27**

<sup>27</sup> *My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.*

All are spiritually dull;

**ROMANS 3:11**

<sup>11</sup> *No one understands; no one seeks for God.*

What is meant by 'the heart?':

**ROMANS 1:21**

<sup>21</sup> For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their *foolish hearts were darkened.*

**PSALM 119:11**

<sup>11</sup> *I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.*

**1 JOHN 3:20**

<sup>20</sup> For *whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything.*

The source of defilement;

**JEREMIAH 17:9**

<sup>9</sup> The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?

A universal condition;

**EPHESIANS 2:1-3** (Compare ROMANS 1:18-32)

<sup>1</sup> *And you were dead in the trespasses and sins* <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup> *among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.*

*Guard the heart above all else;*

**PROVERBS 4:23**

<sup>23</sup> Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.

**PSALM 51:10-12**

<sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. <sup>11</sup> Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. <sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

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