



The Gifts of Christmas

The Gift of a New Heart

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God's Diagnosis of our Heart Condition

- "You have a heart of _____." (Ezekiel 36:25)

Second Opinion

- "The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond _____." (Jeremiah 17:9)

God's Promised Gift

- "I will give you a _____ heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh." (Ezekiel 36:26)

The Prescription

- "Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of _____ and the _____. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.'" (John 3:5-7)
- "I will sprinkle clean _____ on you, and you will be clean... I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my _____ in you... (Ezekiel 36:25-27)

A New You

- 1) New _____ - "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; the new has come." (2 Cor 5:17)
- 2) New _____ - "Put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires... and put on the new self, created to be like God." (Eph 4:22)
- 3) New _____ - "Live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do." (Gal 5:16-17)
- 4) New _____ - "Let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God." (1 John 4:7)
- 5) New _____ - "Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation." (1 Peter 2:2)
- 6) New _____ - "For we know that our old self was crucified with Christ so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin – because anyone who has died has been freed from sin." (Romans 6:6)

Next Steps

- 1) Put your trust in Christ to _____ you and give you a new heart.
- 2) Put your trust in Christ to _____ you and lead you into a new life.