

You Gotta' Have Heart Hebrews 10:15-25

Devotional Thought: "Are You a Pepper or a Mulligan?"

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Key Verse: Luke 10:41-42

My Prayer for a heart of worship: Create a renewed passion for Your glory and grace within my heart!

Oakland's Mission Slogan: Making passionate and compassionate followers of Jesus Christ!

Two Greatest Commandments:

1. Love God.
2. Love your neighbor.

"Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"³⁷ Jesus replied: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."
--Matthew 22:36-40

1. Worship is our response to God's love.

"The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says: ¹⁶"This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord. I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds."¹⁷ Then he adds: "Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more."¹⁸ And where these have been forgiven, there is no longer any sacrifice for sin. ¹⁹Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus..."
--Hebrews 10:15-19

"Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little."
--Luke 7:47

2. Worship is giving back what we have received.

Tithing and serving, giving back what God gave us.

Worship is giving our changed hearts back to God.

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--Hebrews 10:15-16

“Only believers can truly worship God.”

--Rick Warren, *Purpose Driven Church*, 239

God does not want things in worship; He wants us.

God yearns for us to love Him back.

3. Descriptions of Jesus' Worshipful Heart

- Clean heart

"...having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water."

--Hebrews 10:22b

"Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me."

--Psalm 51:10

- Wholly Devoted heart

(cf. Abijah), *"He committed all the sins his father had done before him; his heart was not fully devoted to the LORD his God, as the heart of David his forefather had been."*

--1 Kings 15:3

- Sincere heart

"Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith."

--Hebrews 10:22a

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."

--Matthew 5:8

- Gentle heart

"I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

--Matthew 11:29b

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth."

--Matthew 5:5

Memory Verse:

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

--Hebrews 11:22