

Pondering Proverbs – our Hearts

May 24, 2020

**Praising our Lord Jesus Christ, we
produce joy-filled disciples;
pursue lost people; and,
promote gifted kingdom service.**

Month of May Reading

Exodus & Joshua 64 chapters, two a day and three chapters two times.

John & Romans & Galatians & Titus 46 chapters, 1.5 Chapters a day.

Heart/thoughts

Jeremiah 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it? **Colossians 1:21** Once you were alienated and hostile in your minds as expressed in your evil actions. ²² But now he has reconciled you by his physical body through his death, to present you holy, faultless, and blameless before him—

3:5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart (_____), and do not rely on your own understanding (_____); **6** in all your ways know (_____) him, and he will make your paths straight. **7** Don't be wise in your own eyes (_____); fear the Lord and turn away from evil.

4:20 My son, pay attention to my words; listen closely to my sayings. **21** Don't lose sight of them; keep them within your heart. **22** For they are life to those who find them, and health to one's whole body. **23** Guard your heart above all else, for it is the source of life.

Guard against

Worry, Want, Waywardness and Woo is me.

Trust God's Abilities to provide

Believe God's promises

Trust Christ's goodness not your goodness

6:14 He always plots evil with perversity in his heart; he stirs up trouble.

6:20 My son, keep your father's command, and don't reject your mother's teaching.

21 Always bind them to your heart; tie them around your neck. **22** When you walk here and there, they will _____ you; when you lie down, they will _____ over you; when you wake up, they will _____ to you.

12:5 The thoughts of the righteous are just, but guidance from the wicked is deceitful.

12:20 Deceit (_____) is in the hearts of those who plot evil, but those who promote peace have joy.

12:25 Anxiety () in a person's heart weighs it down, but a good word cheers it up.

13:12 Hope delayed makes the heart sick, but desire fulfilled is a tree of life.

14:10 The heart knows its own () bitterness, and no outsider shares in its joy.

14:13 Even in laughter a heart may be sad, and joy may end in grief.

14:29 A patient () person shows great understanding, but a quick-tempered () one promotes () foolishness. **30** A tranquil

() heart is life to the body, but jealousy is rottenness to the bones.

15:13 A joyful heart makes a face cheerful, but a sad heart produces a broken () spirit.

15:15 All the days of the oppressed are miserable, but a cheerful heart has a continual feast.

16:20 The one who understands a matter finds success, and the one who trusts in the Lord will be happy.

16:24 Pleasant words are a honeycomb: sweet to the taste and health to the body.

16:32 Patience is better than power, and controlling one's emotions, than capturing a city.

17:3 A crucible for silver, and a smelter for gold, and the Lord () is the **tester** of hearts.

17:22 A joyful heart is good medicine, but a broken (crushed) spirit dries up the bones.

18:12 Before his downfall a person's heart is proud, but humility comes before honor.

How are you doing in guarding your heart against **W**orry, **W**ant, **W**aywardness and **W**oo is me? Is there one of these you need to guard more?

How is your Trust God's **A**bilities to provide, **B**elieve God's promises and Trust **C**hrist's goodness not your goodness doing?

To whom would you like to give some honeycomb words to give health to their body?