My Heart Says (Psalm 19:14)

Tony Mauck · Psalm 19:14

INTRODUCTION

- Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in your sight. O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.
- Keep your heart. … with all diligence, for out of it flows the issues of life. The condition of your heart will determine your eternal destiny.
- We must carefully, frequently, diligently assess my heart condition.

1 All the Appeals in Deuteronomy to the Heart

- Keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things which your eyes have seen.
- Those things are on our hearts right now. But they need to be on our hearts all the days of our lives.
- Oh, that they had such a heart in them. That they would fear me and keep all my commandments always.
- God didn't command these things to torture them. That it might be well with them.

2 What They Say in Their Hearts Is Faulty

Deuteronomy 8:17–18; Deuteronomy 9:4; Deuteronomy 15:9

- If you should say in your heart, these nations are greater than I. How can I dispossess them?
- Otherwise, you may say in your heart, my power and the strength of my hand made me this wealth.
- But you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is he who is giving you power to make wealth.
- Don't say it is because of your inherent goodness. That's not the reason. You have been rebellious and stiff-necked all along the way.
- Rationalization of one's conduct to skirt personal responsibility. Let's try to find a loophole or a justification for being selfish and not assisting another.

3 Common Fallacies of the Heart

Psalm 142

- Some say in their heart, there is no God.
- When they suddenly realize that if I live life without God, I am undone and hopeless.
- Life is just too hard. And its companion volume. I wish I was dead.
- Think about the things you do have that are good in your life. Focus on those. Thank God for those.
- Even if you are seemingly all alone, God has not forsaken his people.

4 Not Feeling It and the Lord's Ways Not Best

- I'm just not feeling it. It doesn't do anything good for me.
- This is my moment of clarity every week. This is why I'm here.
- This is why we succumb to temptation. We say to ourselves, the Lord's ways are not best.
- Sin is always potentially catastrophic.
- I can rectify my condition later.

5 Deuteronomy Gives Us Some Solutions

Deuteronomy 10:16; Deuteronomy 11:13; Deuteronomy 11:18

- Circumcise your heart and stiffen your neck no more.
- Stop saying, no, I resist. I'm doing it my way.
- To love the Lord your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.
- You shall therefore impress these words of mine on your heart.

THE CHALLENGE

What is your heart? What is your heart say? Right now. What is it going to say going forward?

MY NOTES