

The Heart of God

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Don't ever think that I came to set aside Moses' Teachings or the Prophets. I didn't come to set them aside but to make them come true.

Matthew 5:17 GWT

I tell you, then, that you will be able to enter the Kingdom of heaven **only if you are more faithful** than the teachers of the Law and the Pharisees in doing what God requires.

Matthew 5:20 GNT

Watch out! Don't do your good deeds publicly, **to be admired by others**, for you will lose the reward from your Father in heaven.

Matthew 6:1 NLT

Protecting my heart means I . . .

1. Relentlessly guard my imagination.

You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Matthew 5:27-28 NIV

If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.

Matthew 5:29 NIV

2. Release my need for revenge.

You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also.

Matthew 5:38-39 NIV

If you are sued in court and your shirt is taken from you, give your coat, too. If a soldier demands that you carry his gear for a mile, carry it two miles.

Matthew 5:40-41 NLT

3. Really love my least favorite people.

You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you that you may be children of your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:43-45a NIV

[God] gives his sunlight to both the evil and the good, and he sends rain on the just and the unjust alike. If you love only those who love you, what reward is there for that? Even corrupt tax collectors do that much.

Matthew 5:45b-46 NLT

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