



# Heart for the King

### Matthew 6:1 <sup>NIV</sup>

“Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.”





# Hypocrite

*hypokritēs*

Pretender, 'play-actor, role-player'



# Motive

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To impress others

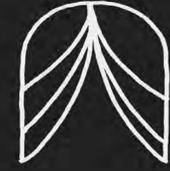
To impress yourself

To honor your Father



Jesus doesn't demand an  
authentic heart. He gives it to us.





# A Spiritual Heart

MATTHEW 6:5-18

# “Spiritual”

Ephesians 1:13-14

And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup> who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God’s possession—to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 2:4-5

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <sup>5</sup> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

I Corinthians 6:19-20

Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; <sup>20</sup> you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

I Corinthians 3:16

Don’t you know that you yourselves are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in your midst?





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# Giving • Praying • Fasting

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The Practice → The Warning → The Way → The Reward



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## Ephesians 1:7-12 <sup>NIV</sup>

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, <sup>9</sup> **he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,** <sup>10</sup> to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—**to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.** <sup>11</sup> In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according **to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,** <sup>12</sup> in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.



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### Matthew 6:14-15 <sup>NIV</sup>

For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. <sup>15</sup> But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.



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### Matthew 6:16-18 <sup>NIV</sup>

“When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. <sup>17</sup> But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup> so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.



# Fasting

Abstaining from food for spiritual purposes

Associated with mourning or repentance

Seeking God's guidance for decisions

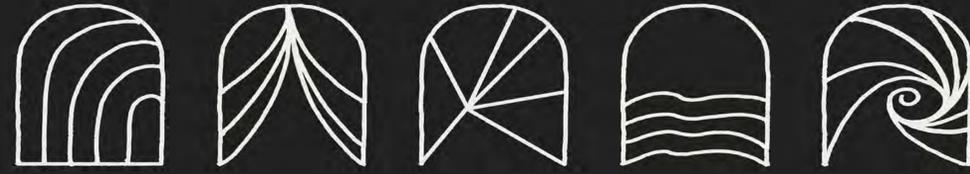
One day or as long as forty days

Accompanied by prayer and Scripture





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