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**SV LIFE RECOVERY MEETING**  
**FURTHER THE HEART**  
**January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

• **1 Samuel 16:7 (NIV)                      GOD LOOKS AT THE HEART**

<sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”

• **1 Samuel 13:14a (NIV)                      WE CAN’T GET FREE WITHOUT THE RIGHT HEART**

<sup>14</sup> But now your kingdom will not endure; the Lord has sought out a man after his own heart

**THE MAKEUP OF THE HUMAN HEART FROM A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE**

• **Jeremiah 17:9-10 (KJV)                      OUR HEARTS CONTROL OUR LIVES**

<sup>9</sup> The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? <sup>10</sup> I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.

• **Proverbs 4:23 (NKJV)                      OUR EXPERIENCES IN LIFE RESIDE IN OUR HEART**

<sup>23</sup> Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it *spring* the issues of life.

• **Deut 10:12 (CEV)                              OUR ABILITY TO BE LED RESIDES IN OUR HEARTS**

<sup>12</sup> People of Israel, what does the LORD your God want from you? The LORD wants you to respect and follow him, to love and serve him with all your heart and soul,

• **Proverbs 21:2 (CEV)                              OUR MOTIVES RESIDE IN OUR HEARTS**

<sup>2</sup> We may think we are doing the right thing, but the LORD always knows what is in our hearts.

• **Deut 30:10 (CEV)                              OUR DECISIONS RESIDE IN OUR HEARTS**

<sup>10</sup> But you must decide once and for all to worship him with all your heart and soul and to obey everything in The Book of God’s Law.

• **Luke 6:45 (NLT)                              OUR THOUGHTS & WORDS FLOW FROM OUR HEARTS**

<sup>45</sup> A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart, and an evil person produces evil things from the treasury of an evil heart. What you say flows from what is in your **heart**.

**SYMPTOMS OF A HEART ATTACK**

**SYMPTOM #1 - THE DEVIL**

• **1 Peter 5:8-9 (NLT)                              THE BEAT STOPS FROM LACK OF BLOOD**

<sup>8</sup> Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.

• **John 8:44 (NLT)**                      **THE BEAT STOPS FROM RECEIVING WRONG INFORMATION**

He has always hated the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, it is consistent with his character; for he is a liar and the father of lies.

**SYMPTOM #2 - LACK OF DISCIPLINE**

• **Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)**              **THE BEAT STOPS DUE TO NEGLECT**

<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

• **2 Timothy 2:15 (KJV)**                  **THE BEAT STOPS FROM LACK OF NOURISHMENT**

<sup>15</sup> Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

• **Luke 10:2 (NIV)**                        **THE BEAT STOPS FROM LACK OF ACTIVITY**

<sup>2</sup> He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.

• **1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV)**          **THE BEAT STOPS FROM UNHEALTHY APPETITES**

<sup>13</sup> No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

**SYMPTOM #3 - THE WORLD'S INFLUENCE**

• **1 John 2:16-17 (NIV)**                **THE BEAT STOPS FROM THE WRONG DESIRES**

<sup>16</sup> For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. <sup>17</sup> The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

• **James 1:2-4 (MSG)**                    **THE BEAT STOPS FROM STRESS**

<sup>2-4</sup> Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors. So don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way.

• **Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV)**            **THE BEAT STOPS FROM WORRY & ANXIETY**

<sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**IN CLOSING**

• **Matthew 6:33 (NIV)**                  **LET'S GET THE BEAT BACK BY PUTTING GOD FIRST**

<sup>33</sup> But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.