



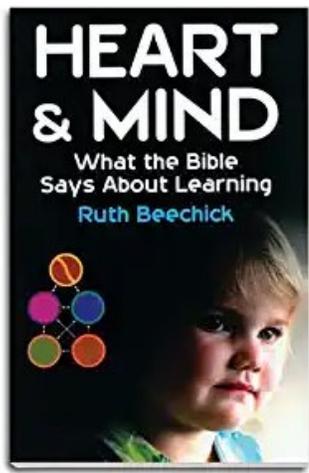
# GOING BEYOND BEHAVIOR TO A NEW HEART



## About the Heart

The heart gives \_\_\_\_\_ to the brain.

- “And I **set my heart** to seek and search out by wisdom concerning all that is done under heaven...” (Ecclesiastes 1:13b).
- “The children of Israel brought a freewill offering to YHVH, all the men and women **whose hearts were willing to bring** material for all kinds of work which YHVH, by the hand of Moses, had commanded to be done” (Exodus 35:29).
- “But Daniel **purposed in his heart** that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king’s delicacies, nor with the wine which he drank; therefore he requested of the chief of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself” (Daniel 1:8).



*Heart and Mind: What the Bible Says About Learning,*  
by Ruth Beechick

\_\_\_\_\_ is in the heart.

- “For with the heart one **believes** unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation” (Romans 10:10).
- “Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an **evil heart of unbelief** in departing from the living God” (Hebrews 3:12).

The heart decides \_\_\_\_\_ controls the heart.

- “But Peter said, ‘Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back *part* of the price of the land for yourself?’” (Acts 5:3).
- “But thanks be to God who puts the same earnest care for you into the heart of Titus” (2 Corinthians 8:16).



The heart is the seat of \_\_\_\_\_.

hate (Leviticus 19:17)

sorrow (Isaiah 65:14)

heat (Deuteronomy 19:6)

gladness (Acts 2:46)

heaviness (Proverbs 25:20)

despair (Ecclesiastes 2:20)

wounded (Psalm 109:22)

cutting (Acts 7:54)

fear (Jeremiah 32:40)

yearning, weeping

(Genesis 43:30)

compassion (1 Kings 3:26)

The heart knows,

then it understands,

and finally it \_\_\_\_\_.

- “YHVH has not given you a heart to perceive and eyes to see and ears to hear, to this very day” (Deuteronomy 29:4).
- “Also the heart of the rash will understand knowledge, And the tongue of the stammerers will be ready to speak plainly (Isaiah 32:4).
- “Wisdom rests in the heart of him who has understanding, But what is in the heart of fools is made known” (Proverbs 14:33).
- “The lips of the wise disperse knowledge, But the heart of the fool does not do so” (Proverbs 15:7).
- “The heart of him who has understanding seeks knowledge, But the mouth of fools feeds on foolishness” (Proverbs 15:14).
- “The heart of the righteous studies how to answer, But the mouth of the wicked pours forth evil” (Proverbs 15:28).
- “The wise in heart will be called prudent, and sweetness of the lips increases learning... The heart of the wise teaches his mouth, and adds learning to his lips” (Proverbs 16:21,23).
- “Behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth. And you know in all your hearts and in all your souls that not one thing has failed of all the good things which YHVH your God spoke concerning you. All have come to pass for you; not one word of them has failed” (Joshua 23:14).

The heart considers, ponders, meditates.

- “You should know in your heart that as a man chastens his son, so YHVH your God chastens you” (Deuteronomy 8:5).
- “Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, YHVH, my strength and my Redeemer” (Psalm 19:14).
- “But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart” (Luke 2:19).
  - Thought – 24.8% of mentions of heart in Bible



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The heart is where memory of Scripture (Torah) is kept.

- “Therefore you shall lay up these words of mine in your heart and in your soul, and bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes” (Deuteronomy 11:18).
- “Bind them continually upon your heart; tie them around your neck” (Proverbs 6:21).
- “And all those who heard them kept them in their hearts, saying, ‘What kind of child will this be?’ And the hand of YHVH was with him” (Luke 1:66).
  - Again, will is involved.

The heart talks to oneself.

- “Then YHVH saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually” (Genesis 6:8).
- “And YHVH smelled a soothing aroma. Then YHVH said in His heart, ‘I will never again curse the ground for man’s sake, although the imagination of man’s heart is evil from his youth; nor will I again destroy every living thing as I have done’” (Genesis 8:21).
- “When You said, ‘Seek My face,’ my heart said to You, ‘Your face, Lord, I will seek’” (Psalm 27:8).
- “But as for me, this secret has not been revealed to me because I have more wisdom than anyone living, but for our sakes who make known the interpretation to the king, and that you may know the thoughts of your heart” (Daniel 2:30).

Information (without)

Concepts/understanding (without and within)

Self-Discipline (within)

Wisdom (within) >> the goal of all learning

Brooding... order from chaos... speaking... (Genesis 1)

Speaking reveals purpose of the heart... can bring creativity.

- Emotions and mind are fully involved; the total person.
  - It takes time and freedom to think, to have total absorption.
  - Needs to have knowledge and discipline FIRST.
- Self-learning is enjoyable; becomes its own reward. (Creativity)

*You can read the  
parable of the kinds  
of soil on page 9.*

# Parable of the Kinds of Soil

We have to understand the Word to have it planted in our heart.

- “The fear of YHVH is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding” (Proverbs 9:10).
  - Teach the why, not just the what.
  - We have to keep (guard) our hearts, so the enemy does not snatch away understanding.
    - “When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside” (Matthew 13:19).

# How to Touch the Heart

Students have control over their own learning. I am only a helper along the road.

- “The wise in heart will be called prudent, and sweetness of the lips increases learning” (Proverbs 16:21).

Reward and Punishment:

- Rewards help some. Punishment helps less.
- Punishment is for \_\_\_\_\_ (foolishness).
  - “Because the sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is **fully set in them** to do evil” (Ecclesiastes 8:11).
- Heart training:
 

“Why must you use consequences? Consequences provide outer motivation for obedience until your child has filled his heart with enough moral resolve to choose to do right for the sake of doing right. Until the heart is trained, consequences help motivate correct choices.” (*Four Foundations of Lifelong Learning*, by Anne Elliott, p. 59, 2nd edition).

Law goes into the heart.

- “...who show **the work of the law written in their hearts**, their conscience also bearing witness, and between themselves their thoughts accusing or else excusing them” (Romans 2:15).
- “Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? **For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks**. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things” (Matthew 12:34-35).
- “For from within, **out of the heart of men**, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, 22 thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lewdness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness” (Mark 7:21-22).

The Law is a schoolmaster (tutor) to bring us to Messiah (Galatians 3:24).

Hearts can be made *perfect* to obey.

- “Let your heart therefore be *perfect* to YHVH our God, to walk in His statutes and keep His commandments, as at this day” (1 Kings 8:61, KJV).
  - *shalem*, Strong’s #8003: Having all necessary parts, elements or steps. A state of being whole or full. Left unaltered and whole in its original functional state without removing or adding to it. To finish. (Benner, *Ancient Hebrew Lexicon*)

The imagination of the evil heart is to not \_\_\_\_\_.

- “And you have done worse than your fathers, for behold, each one follows the *imagination* of his own evil heart, so that no one listens to Me” (Jeremiah 16:12).
  - שְׁרִירוֹת
  - twisting together of thoughts, like navel or umbilical cord

Loving Discipline

- “The fear of YHVH is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction” (Proverbs 1:7).
- “For whom YHVH loves He corrects, just as a father the son in whom he delights” (Proverbs 3:12).
- “Wisdom is found on the lips of him who has understanding, but a rod is for the back of him who is devoid of understanding” (Proverbs 10:13).
  - Pleasure does not go far.
  - It is exhausting.
  - It does not last.
    - “...yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles” (Matthew 13:21).

- This is one reason homeschooling is easier.
- Greek *paiduo* is translated *to teach* or *to chasten*.
  - “And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and deeds” (Acts 7:22).
  - “I am indeed a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, taught according to the strictness of our fathers’ law, and was zealous toward God as you all are today” (Acts 22:3).
  - “My son, do not despise the chastening of YHVH,  
Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him;  
For whom YHVH loves He chastens,  
And scourges every son whom He receives.’  
“If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons. Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? For they indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may be partakers of His holiness. Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it” (Hebrews 12:5-12).
- Hebrew *yacar* – chastening – When is it useful?
  - Love is most important.
    - “He who spares his rod hates his son, but he who loves him disciplines him promptly” (Proverbs 13:24).
  - Drives foolishness (define this!) from his heart.
    - “Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; the rod of correction will drive it far from him” (Proverbs 22:15).
  - Delivers his soul from the grave (love again).
    - “Do not withhold correction from a child, for if you beat him with a rod, he will not die. You shall beat him with a rod, and deliver his soul from the grave” (Proverbs 23:13-14).
- Control starts with power (Level 1), but it needs to be in an atmosphere of **love**.
- Remedial work is needed if learning has been delayed.

We cannot determine a child's heart; the choice is his!

- Psalm 78:4, 6-8, 56-57

*You can read  
Psalm 78 on pages 10-11.*

Self-discipline takes time.

- Before giving new freedoms, check that they can handle it.

It is not the method or the curriculum, but \_\_\_\_\_ into the heart.

- Heart-to-heart relationship matters the most.
  - “And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers...” (Malachi 4:6).
- The teacher's words affect the heart.
  - “She opens her mouth with wisdom, and on her tongue is the law (*torah*, instruction) of kindness” (Proverbs 31:26).
  - “The wise in heart will be called prudent, and sweetness of the lips increases learning” (Proverbs 16:21).
- Commands must be on the teacher's heart first.
  - “And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart” (Deuteronomy 6:6).
- The teacher must teach diligently.
  - “You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up” (Deuteronomy 6:7).
- The teacher must review and remind.
  - “You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates” (Deuteronomy 6:8-9).
- The teacher must ask for respect.
  - “So it shall be, when YHVH your God brings you into the land of which He swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give you large and beautiful cities which you did not build, 11 houses full of all good things, which you did not fill, hewn-out wells which you did not dig, vineyards and olive trees which you did not plant—when you have eaten and are full—then beware, lest you forget YHVH who brought you out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. You shall fear YHVH your God and serve Him, and shall take oaths in His name. You shall not go

after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are all around you (for YHVH your God is a jealous God among you), lest the anger of YHVH your God be aroused against you and destroy you from the face of the earth.

You shall not tempt YHVH your God as you tempted Him in Massah. You shall diligently keep the commandments of YHVH your God, His testimonies, and His statutes which He has commanded you. And you shall do what is right and good in the sight of YHVH, that it may be well with you, and that you may go in and possess the good land of which YHVH swore to your fathers, to cast out all your enemies from before you, as YHVH has spoken” (Deuteronomy 6:10-19).

- Back to fear again:  
“The fear of YHVH is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction” (Proverbs 1:7).



# Matthew 13

On the same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the sea. 2 And great multitudes were gathered together to Him, so that He got into a boat and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.

3 Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: "Behold, a sower went out to sow. 4 And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them. 5 Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth. 6 But when the sun was up they were scorched, and because they had no root they withered away. 7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them. 8 But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9 He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

10 And the disciples came and said to Him, "Why do You speak to them in parables?"

11 He answered and said to them, "Because it has been given to you to know the [a]mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. 12 For whoever has, to him more will be given, and he will have abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. 13 Therefore I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. 14 And in them the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled, which says:

**'Hearing you will hear and shall not understand,  
And seeing you will see and not perceive;  
15 For the hearts of this people have grown dull.  
Their ears are hard of hearing,  
And their eyes they have closed,  
Lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears,  
Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn,  
So that I [b]should heal them.'** (Isaiah 6:9-10)

**16 But blessed are your eyes for they see, and your ears for they hear; 17 for assuredly, I say to you that many prophets and righteous men desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.**

18 "Therefore hear the parable of the sower: **19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside.** 20 But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; 21 yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles. 22 Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. 23 But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty."

# Psalm 78

Give ear, O my people, *to* my law;  
Incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

<sup>2</sup> I will open my mouth in a parable;

I will utter dark sayings of old,

<sup>3</sup> Which we have heard and known,

And our fathers have told us.

**<sup>4</sup> We will not hide *them* from their children,  
Telling to the generation to come the praises of  
YHVH,  
And His strength and His wonderful works that He  
has done.**

<sup>5</sup> For He established a testimony in Jacob,  
And appointed a law in Israel,  
Which He commanded our fathers,  
That they should make them known to their children;

**<sup>6</sup> That the generation to come might know *them*,  
The children *who* would be born,  
That they may arise and declare *them* to their  
children,**

**<sup>7</sup> That they may set their hope in God,  
And not forget the works of God,  
But keep His commandments;**

<sup>8</sup> And may not be like their fathers,  
A stubborn and rebellious generation,  
A generation *that* did not set its heart aright,  
And whose spirit was not faithful to God.

<sup>9</sup> The children of Ephraim, *being* armed *and* carrying  
bows,

Turned back in the day of battle.

<sup>10</sup> They did not keep the covenant of God;

They refused to walk in His law,

<sup>11</sup> And forgot His works

And His wonders that He had shown them.

<sup>12</sup> Marvelous things He did in the sight of their fathers,  
In the land of Egypt, *in* the field of Zoan.

<sup>13</sup> He divided the sea and caused them to pass through;  
And He made the waters stand up like a heap.

<sup>14</sup> In the daytime also He led them with the cloud,  
And all the night with a light of fire.

<sup>15</sup> He split the rocks in the wilderness,  
And gave *them* drink in abundance like the depths.

<sup>16</sup> He also brought streams out of the rock,  
And caused waters to run down like rivers.

<sup>17</sup> But they sinned even more against Him  
By rebelling against the Most High in the wilderness.

<sup>18</sup> And they tested God in their heart  
By asking for the food of their fancy.

<sup>19</sup> Yes, they spoke against God:

They said, "Can God prepare a table in the wilderness?"

<sup>20</sup> Behold, He struck the rock,  
So that the waters gushed out,  
And the streams overflowed.

Can He give bread also?

Can He provide meat for His people?"

<sup>21</sup> Therefore YHVH heard *this* and was furious;  
So a fire was kindled against Jacob,

And anger also came up against Israel,

<sup>22</sup> Because they did not believe in God,

And did not trust in His salvation.

<sup>23</sup> Yet He had commanded the clouds above,  
And opened the doors of heaven,

<sup>24</sup> Had rained down manna on them to eat,  
And given them of the bread of heaven.

<sup>25</sup> Men ate angels' food;

He sent them food to the full.

<sup>26</sup> He caused an east wind to blow in the heavens;  
And by His power He brought in the south wind.

<sup>27</sup> He also rained meat on them like the dust,  
Feathered fowl like the sand of the seas;

<sup>28</sup> And He let *them* fall in the midst of their camp,  
All around their dwellings.

<sup>29</sup> So they ate and were well filled,  
For He gave them their own desire.

<sup>30</sup> They were not deprived of their craving;  
But while their food *was* still in their mouths,

<sup>31</sup> The wrath of God came against them,  
And slew the stoutest of them,

And struck down the choice *men* of Israel.

<sup>32</sup> In spite of this they still sinned,

And did not believe in His wondrous works.

<sup>33</sup> Therefore their days He consumed in futility,  
And their years in fear.



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<sup>34</sup> When He slew them, then they sought Him;  
 And they returned and sought earnestly for God.  
<sup>35</sup> Then they remembered that God *was* their rock,  
 And the Most High God their Redeemer.  
<sup>36</sup> Nevertheless they flattered Him with their mouth,  
 And they lied to Him with their tongue;  
<sup>37</sup> For their heart was not steadfast with Him,  
 Nor were they faithful in His covenant.  
<sup>38</sup> But He, *being* full of compassion, forgave *their*  
 iniquity,  
 And did not destroy *them*.  
 Yes, many a time He turned His anger away,  
 And did not stir up all His wrath;  
<sup>39</sup> For He remembered that they *were but* flesh,  
 A breath that passes away and does not come again.

<sup>40</sup> How often they provoked Him in the wilderness,  
 And grieved Him in the desert!  
<sup>41</sup> Yes, again and again they tempted God,  
 And limited the Holy One of Israel.  
<sup>42</sup> They did not remember His power:  
 The day when He redeemed them from the enemy,  
<sup>43</sup> When He worked His signs in Egypt,  
 And His wonders in the field of Zoan;  
<sup>44</sup> Turned their rivers into blood,  
 And their streams, that they could not drink.  
<sup>45</sup> He sent swarms of flies among them, which  
 devoured them,  
 And frogs, which destroyed them.  
<sup>46</sup> He also gave their crops to the caterpillar,  
 And their labor to the locust.  
<sup>47</sup> He destroyed their vines with hail,  
 And their sycamore trees with frost.  
<sup>48</sup> He also gave up their cattle to the hail,  
 And their flocks to fiery lightning.  
<sup>49</sup> He cast on them the fierceness of His anger,  
 Wrath, indignation, and trouble,  
 By sending angels of destruction *among them*.  
<sup>50</sup> He made a path for His anger;  
 He did not spare their soul from death,  
 But gave their life over to the plague,  
<sup>51</sup> And destroyed all the firstborn in Egypt,  
 The first of *their* strength in the tents of Ham.  
<sup>52</sup> But He made His own people go forth like sheep,  
 And guided them in the wilderness like a flock;  
<sup>53</sup> And He led them on safely, so that they did not fear;  
 But the sea overwhelmed their enemies.  
<sup>54</sup> And He brought them to His holy border,

This mountain *which* His right hand had acquired.  
<sup>55</sup> He also drove out the nations before them,  
 Allotted them an inheritance by survey,  
 And made the tribes of Israel dwell in their tents.

<sup>56</sup> **Yet they tested and provoked the Most High God,**  
**And did not keep His testimonies,**  
<sup>57</sup> **But turned back and acted unfaithfully like their fathers;**  
 They were turned aside like a deceitful bow.  
<sup>58</sup> For they provoked Him to anger with their high places,  
 And moved Him to jealousy with their carved images.  
<sup>59</sup> When God heard *this*, He was furious,  
 And greatly abhorred Israel,  
<sup>60</sup> So that He forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh,  
 The tent He had placed among men,  
<sup>61</sup> And delivered His strength into captivity,  
 And His glory into the enemy's hand.  
<sup>62</sup> He also gave His people over to the sword,  
 And was furious with His inheritance.  
<sup>63</sup> The fire consumed their young men,  
 And their maidens were not given in marriage.  
<sup>64</sup> Their priests fell by the sword,  
 And their widows made no lamentation.

<sup>65</sup> Then YHVH awoke as *from* sleep,  
 Like a mighty man who shouts because of wine.  
<sup>66</sup> And He beat back His enemies;  
 He put them to a perpetual reproach.

<sup>67</sup> Moreover He rejected the tent of Joseph,  
 And did not choose the tribe of Ephraim,  
<sup>68</sup> But chose the tribe of Judah,  
 Mount Zion which He loved.  
<sup>69</sup> And He built His sanctuary like the heights,  
 Like the earth which He has established forever.  
<sup>70</sup> He also chose David His servant,  
 And took him from the sheepfolds;  
<sup>71</sup> From following the ewes that had young He brought him,  
 To shepherd Jacob His people,  
 And Israel His inheritance.  
<sup>72</sup> So he shepherded them according to the integrity of his heart,  
 And guided them by the skillfulness of his hands.



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