

New Heart: Part Three - Seeking God

One-quarter of U.S. adults report having a mental health diagnosis such as anxiety or depression or experiencing emotional distress. This is one of the highest rates among G20 countries.

38 million Americans take medicine for anxiety.

Ezekiel 36:26

I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

Heart of stone is hard unyielding cold

Heart of flesh is pliable able to yield and hot.

Step One: Humble Our Selves Before God (Humility)

Step Two: Repent of Our Sin (Repentance)

Step Three: Seek God with Open Hands and Heart

Seeking God Wholeheartedly

Jeremiah 29:13

"You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart."

Psalms 119:2

"Blessed are those who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart."

Seeking God as a Priority

Matthew 6:33

"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Psalms 63:1

"O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water."

Seeking In Faith

Hebrews 11:6

And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

Seeking God for Direction

Luke 11:9-10

And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

We Seek God Open Handed

Luke 23:39-43 New American Standard Bible

39 One of the criminals who were hanged **there** was hurling abuse at Him, saying, "Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!" **40** But the other responded, and rebuking him, said, "Do you not even fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? **41** And we indeed are suffering justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for our crimes; but this Man has done nothing wrong." **42** And he was saying, "Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom!" **43** And He said to him, "Truly I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

Mathew 27:44

And the rebels who had been crucified with Him were also insulting Him in the same way.

Two Completely Different Perspectives