King of Hearts

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"Heart" is what is at your core.

Q: How can you tell what is in your heart?

- 1. Ask: What do I <u>Treasure</u>? (<u>Matt 6:21</u>)
- 2. Ask: What comes out when my <u>guard is down</u>? (<u>Matt 12:34-36</u>)

What comes out of your heart when Jesus isn't King of your heart?

Matt. 15:19 "For out of the heart come evil thoughts murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander."

What comes out of your heart when Jesus is King of your heart?

- 1. <u>Gratitude</u> (<u>Col 3:16</u>)
 - **a.** This is about **justice**, because God has a **right** to your gratitude!
- 2. Forgiveness (Matt 18:35)
 - **a.** This is about having <u>**God's Mercy**</u> in your heart.
- 3. Faithfulness (Eph 6:6)
 - **a.** This is about having <u>**God's Faithfulness**</u> in your heart.
- 4. Love for Others (1Peter 1:22
 - a. Loving others from the heart is about God's justice moving you to protect <u>other people's</u> <u>rights</u>.

<u>Rom. 13:8</u>

"Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing **debt to love one another**, for whoever loves others **has fulfilled the law**."

- Love is not a debt to others... it is a debt to <u>God</u>. (<u>1John 4:19-21</u>)
- Q: How can I pay this debt?
 - I have to **deposit** love in my heart before I can **bring it out** when I need it.

EVIL DEPOSIT	LOVE DEPOSIT
Murder	Gratitude
Adultery	Forgiveness
Sexual Immorality	Faithfulness
Theft	Love for Others
False Testimony	
Slander	

How do I make Jesus King of my heart?

Replace **your thoughts** with **<u>His thoughts</u>**!

• <u>Phil. 4:8</u> "Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—<u>think about</u> <u>such things.</u>"

Keep **<u>God's Mercy</u>** in <u>full view</u> at all times.

• <u>Rom. 12:1-2</u> "Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, *in view of God's mercy*, ..."

Hide **<u>God's Word</u>** in your heart.

• <u>Psa. 119:10-11</u> "With my whole heart I have sought You; Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments! <u>11</u> Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You."