

# HOW TO PERFORM HEART SURGERY

**Mark 12:28-31** “One of the teachers of religion asked, ‘Of all the commandments which is the most important?’ Jesus replied, ‘The one that says “Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the one and only God. And you must love Him with all your heart and soul and mind and strength. The second is this. You must love others as much as yourself. No other commandments are as great as these.’”

## Symptoms of a Hard-Heart

1. \_\_\_\_\_ frequently.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ with arrogance.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ other's styles, personalities and successes.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ toward God's work.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ morals, ethics and values.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ focus on worship.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ with time.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ about the acceptance of others.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ to love is diminished.

## Causes of a Hard-Heart

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

## How do we Allow God to Soften our Heart?

**S** – \_\_\_\_\_ **what's valuable and what's vulnerable.**

**Philippians 3:7-8** "Those things were important to me, but now I think they're worth nothing because of Christ. Not only those things, but I think that all things are worth nothing compared to the greatness of knowing Christ Jesus, my Lord. Because of Him I have lost all those things and now I know they're worthless trash."

**O** – \_\_\_\_\_ **admit a hard heart and ask God to soften it.**

**Psalms 139:23-24** "Search me, O God, and know my heart. Test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me and lead me in the way everlasting."

**Psalms 51:10** "Create in me a new clean heart, O God, filled with clean thoughts and right desires."

**F** – \_\_\_\_\_ **about the thing you have no control over.**

**Philippians 3:13-14** "Brothers and sisters, I know I have not yet reached that goal but there is one thing I always do. Forgetting the past and straining toward what is ahead I keep trying to reach the goal and get the prize for which God called me through Christ for the life above."

**T** – \_\_\_\_\_ **in to a consistent time with God.**

**2 Timothy 3:16-17** "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

**E** – \_\_\_\_\_ **the help of others.**

**James 5:16** "Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so God can heal you. When a believing person prays, great things happen."

**N** – \_\_\_\_\_ **underestimate the cost of spiritual intimacy.**