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## **Questions Jesus Asked!**

## **Week 8 (Mark 8:14-21)**

## March 23, 2025

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## How do we maintain a soft/tender heart in a hard world?

## *If your heart is cold, my fire cannot warm it!* **Author Unknown**

## **Ezekiel 36:26-27 NLT**

## **Jeremiah 17:9-10 NLT**

## **Psalm 139:23-24 NLT**

## **Mark 8:14-21 NLT**

## Jesus discusses several damaging side effects of having a hardened heart:

## **1st** – A hardened heart blocks spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

## **Matthew 6:22-23 NLT**

## **Matthew 13:16 NLT**

## What can make the heart grow hard?

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## *Loving a Holy God is beyond our moral power. The only kind of God we can love by our sinful nature is an unholy god, an idol made by our own hands.*

## *Unless we are born of the Spirit of God, unless God sheds His Holy love in our hearts, unless He stoops in His grace to change our hearts, we will not love Him... To love a Holy God requires grace, grace strong enough to pierce our hardened hearts and awaken our dying souls.* **R.C. Sproul**

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## **2nd** – A hardened heart blocks spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

## **2 Timothy 4:3-4 NLT**

## **3rd** – A hardened heart blocks spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

## **Deuteronomy 8:11-14 NLT**

## *We cannot always trace God's hand but we can always trust God's heart.* **Charles Spurgeon**

**4th** – A hardened heart blocks spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

A LACK of SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING leads to SPIRITUAL **STAGNATION**.

A LACK of SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING leads to being SUSCEPTIBLE to **FALSE TEACHING**.

A LACK of SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING leads to **NOT FOLLOWING GOD’S WILL**.

A LACK of SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING leads to **MISSING OUT** on the **POWER** and **BLESSING of GOD**.

## Do you suffer from a hardened heart?

## **Notes:**