



# The Hearts of Man

Genesis 3:6; Romans 5:12; Genesis 6:5; Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 3:10-11, 3:23; John 3:16; 2 Corinthians 5:17, 5:21

## Share the News!

The gospel is "good news" about how we can be saved. But people have to understand the bad news before they can receive the good news. **Match each statement on the left to the verse that explains or answers it on the right.**

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"I don't think people are that bad. There are a lot of nice people in the world!"

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"So if I believe in Jesus, how will that change me?"

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"I'm a good person. I just follow my heart."

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"If we're all sinners, then how do you know you will go to heaven?"

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"Why do people have to die anyway? It doesn't seem fair! Why would God allow us to suffer and die?"

**D.** For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

**A.** For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23

**B.** Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned. Romans 5:12

**C.** The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it? Jeremiah 17:9

**E.** Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. 2 Corinthians 5:17

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## Learn the Word

Write the letters of the numbers they have replaced on the clock to complete the verse.

### Genesis 6:5

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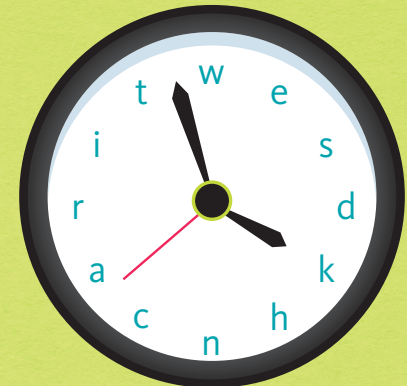
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of man was great in the \_\_\_\_\_,

and \_\_\_\_\_ every intention of the

thoughts of his \_\_\_\_\_ was

only evil continually.





## **What You Heard** *In the Word*

- All men are sinners because of Adam's sin. The Bible tells us that our hearts are deceitful and sinful.
- God sent Jesus Christ, who was without sin, to take the punishment for sin. Everyone who repents and believes in Him will be saved.

## **OutWord** *For Family Discussion*

Your friend says she just wants to follow her heart and do what she wants to do. **What could you say?**

*You may want to think about that. After all, the Bible says that our hearts are deceitful and sinful. When we follow our hearts, we usually do whatever we want to do and that often gets us into trouble! God's Word is a better place to turn—it can help direct you to decisions that will honor God.*

## **HomeWord** *For Parents*

The Bible clearly states that death spread to all men through the sin of Adam (Romans 5:12). We have all inherited a sin nature. David knew that he was conceived in sin—an inheritance from Adam (Psalm 51:5). And Jeremiah reminds us that the heart is deceitful above all things and desperately sick (Jeremiah 17:9). Our sin demands judgment by a holy God. Jesus tells us that judgment is coming. He is coming to judge the world in righteousness and faithfulness (Psalm 96:13).

So what are we to do? We know that our holy, jealous God is a consuming fire who will not tolerate our loyalty, love, honor, and respect being placed anywhere else (Deuteronomy 4:23–24). He is intolerant of sin, and we are all sinners (Romans 3:23).

“But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Corinthians 15:57)! For God had always known that He would send His Son that whoever believes in Him would not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16). Through Christ alone are we brought from darkness into light and from the power of Satan to God. Through Jesus our Savior we receive forgiveness of our sins and a place in eternity with Him (Acts 26:18).

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