## Abundance Of The Heart

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Luke 6:45 (ESV)

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Summary: What we Treasure produces! Whatever we treasure will come out of our mouth for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks! Or put another way, the outflow of the mouth reveals what is in the heart!

Why do people do the things they do? Good treasure produces and evil treasure produces!

Proverbs 11:3 (ESV)

The integrity of the upright guides them, (Good treasure produces) but the crookedness of the treacherous destroys them. (Evil treasure produces)

The abundance of the heart speaks! A pure heart "sees as God sees" while the impure heart "can't" see as God sees.

Matthew 5:8 (ESV)

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Titus 1:15 (ESV)

To the pure, all things are pure, but to the defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure; but both their minds and their consciences are defiled.

This has powerful earthly consequences! God returns to us what we treasure in our heart. When we trust Jesus, we are totally forgiven for our sins and have a home in heaven. However on this earth, God deals with us according to our heart and earthly actions.

Luke 6:37 (ESV)

Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven;

Not only does God deal with us on this earth, God returns to us abundantly more than we give out! This is God's principle of sowing and reaping.

Luke 6:38 (ESV)

Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.

This verse is often used to encourage financial giving which is true. However it has a much broader meaning. Abundance will be poured out on us based on whatever we treasure in our heart, good or bad! Kingdom principle: We receive in greater proportion than we give, good or bad.

Galatians 6:7 (ESV)

Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap.

## Therefore Jesus warns us that some selfexamination is needed.

Luke 6:41 (ESV)

Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?

Bottom line Divine truth: Whatever is in our heart is going to come out! Whatever we treasure in our heart produces fruit. There is a Natural outflow! Apple trees produce apples. The fruit of what we treasure will untimely come out of our mouth, good or bad.

Luke 6:41-44 (ESV)

<sup>43</sup> For no good tree bears bad **fruit,** nor again does a bad tree bear good **fruit,** <sup>44</sup> for each tree is known by its own **fruit.** For figs are not gathered from thornbushes, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush.

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Bottom line Divine truth: To change our actions we need to change our heart. Question, how do we change our heart? First we acknowledge the Bible teaches us that the "fruit" of the Spirit is love!

Second we need to treasure in our heart that God loves! Divine truth and Key to a heart adjustment: We need to grasp that God loves us? If we know God loves us and fully understand the depth of that love, love is produced "and" we will love HIM back!

1 John 4:19 (ESV)
We love because he first loved us.

Our capacity to truly love comes from God! Knowing that God truly loves us will "produce love" in us and fill our heart to overflow abundantly with love. This abundant love not only produces greater love for God but also it produces a love that overflows to others!

Why don't we love because we don't grasp that God loves us! Therefore to truly love, we first must grasp the infinite love God has for us! The gospel is the power of God and "love flows" into the heart of all who accept the message!

John 3:16 (ESV)

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

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