

The Ripley Reminder



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LET'S TAKE A MINUTE. . .

LIVING INSIDE OUT

A wise man's heart is at his right hand, but a fool's heart at his left." Ecclesiastes 10:2

If you have ever read this verse, you have probably wondered, "What in the world is Solomon talking about? What does this verse mean?"

One of the best ways to understand a verse is to look at various translations. The verse just quoted is from the King James Version (KJV) New International Version (NIV) "The heart of the wise inclines to the right, but the heart of a fool is to the left." New American Standard Version: (NASV) "A wise man's heart directs him toward the right, but the foolish man's heart directs him toward the left." The Living Bible: A wise man's heart leads him to do right, and a fool's heart leads him to do evil." There – does the verse have more meaning to you now?

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Service Times

Sunday Bible Study..... 9:30 AM

Sunday Morning 10:20 AM

Sunday Evening 5:00 PM

Wednesday Evening..... 7:00 PM

MINISTERS

Dr. Donnie DeBord
Cole Chapman
Tucker Shapley

ELDERS

David Cook
Michael Harrison
Mark Martindale

DEACONS

Ronald Chapman
Rob Elliott
Shane Green
David Hudson
Sonny Meeks
Brad Pounders
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From these translations, one may conclude that Solomon is referring to a manner of life. The wise man chooses to follow the will of God while the fool determines to do evil. It appears, then, that it is what we are on the inside that determines what we are on the outside! “As a man thinks in his heart, so is he.” (Prov. 23:7) Jesus taught His disciples in Matthew 23:2 that they were to follow the teachings of the Pharisees and those who taught the law. But He warned them: “Therefore, whatever they tell you observe and do, but do not do according to their works: for they say, and do not do.”

In verses 27 & 28, Jesus said to the scribes and Pharisees, “Hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs which appear beautiful outwardly, but inside are full of dead men’s bones and all uncleanness. Even so you outwardly appear righteous to men, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.” Be reminded that God said, “The Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks upon the heart.” (I Sam. 16:5)

What we are on the INSIDE is what is going to happen to us on the OUTSIDE! In other words, the inside influences the outside! Remember, God sees and knows what we are on the inside!

The outcome of our life will be determined by whether we are bigger on the inside than we are on the outside, and not by what we appear to be by others! So, let’s follow David’s plea in prayer to God: “Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me.” (Ps.51:10)

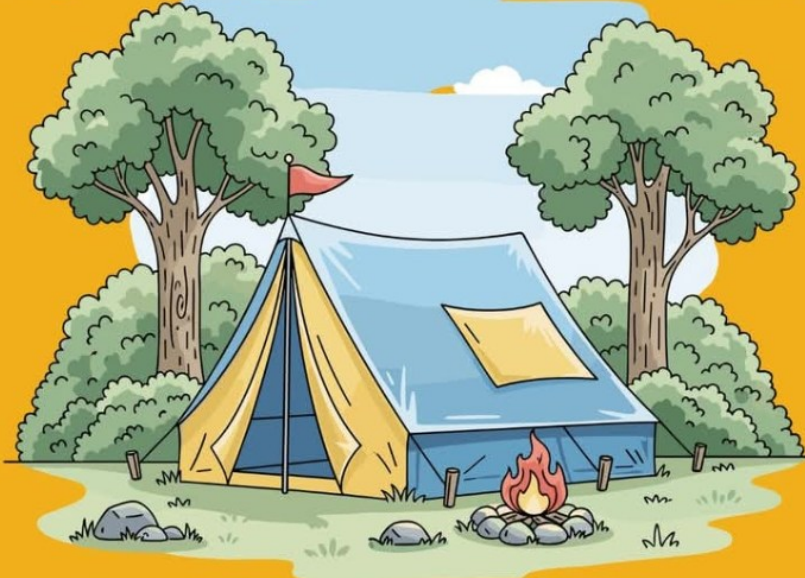
My minute’s up!

James A. Horton

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JUNE 28 - JULY 1 - 6:00-7:30 PM

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PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Brad Pounders’ mother had a fall and has been in ICU in Tupelo. Remember her and her family.
- Wayne Pitner, Mary Jo Lences’ youngest brother, passed away. Remember her and her family at this difficult time.

Please keep these in your thoughts and prayers:

Susan Ainsworth, Ann Akins, Ali Rae Barkley, Pattie Box, Annette Brooks, Dianne Butler, Wade Carmichael, Cora Chills, Alice Cross, Paula Dowty, Roger Cunningham, Grevil Flores, Chris Grisham, Ann Izard, Kenny James, James Johnston, James Allen Johnston, Johnnie Jumper, David Lipe, Billy Hugh McBryde, Donald McTizi, Sharon Monson, Steve Robinson, Jan Rooker, Brandie Rutgers, Carol Smith, Trey Smith, Anna Hearn Thompson, Peggy Wallis, Austin Wentz, Jimmy Willingham
Diversicare: Terri Barkley C-9, Cindy Holly D-8

NEWS & NOTES

- Our weekly fellowship meals will be paused for the summer. Meals will resume in the fall.
- If you are willing to help with our upcoming VBS, lists are in the foyer.
- Cole Chapman, Caroline Chapman, and Sophie DeBord will be traveling to El Salvadore next week on a mission trip. Please pray that they have a safe and successful trip.
- We would like to congratulate our college graduates of our congregation. They are: Caroline Chapman, Alex Green, Peyton Shappley, Zoe Green Shappley, and Isabella Thompson.
- There will be a Ladies Bible Class Monday June 1st at 6:30 PM at South Main Events. You will enjoy a time of fellowship, encouragement, and refreshments, and a time of Bible study.
- Emily Raines, Virginia and Jewel will care for the nursery during our worship services.

Worship Service May 24, 2026

Welcome.....	Michael Harrison
Song Leader AM.....	Caleb James
Opening Prayer AM.....	Dave Osborn
Read Scripture.....	Jackson Shappley
Lord’s Supper AM.....	Paul Macaluso
Assisting at the Lord’s Table AM.....	Mike Hudson, Damon Mock, Justin Luster
.....	David Hudson, Rodney Chapman, Scott Kuhl
Closing Prayer AM.....	David Cook
Song Leader PM.....	Cole Chapman
Opening Prayer PM.....	Benny Wallis
Lord’s Supper PM.....	Shane Green
Closing Prayer PM.....	Billy Morton