INNER HEALTH

Part 7: Focus and Actions

GUARD YOUR HEART BY CONTROLLING YOUR FOCUS (Proverbs 4:24-25 NKJV)

- A great question is: Where is my primary focus?
 - 1. So many distractions available
 - 2. Does God's word ever come into focus for you?
 - 3. Don't allow God's word to be stolen
- Jesus spoke of what distracts us (Mark 4:18-19 NKJV)
 - 1. Worries of this life; Anxiety that brings disruption to the mind; A creative focus on the wrong things
 - 2. The answer for worry is practicing what God has said (Philippians 4:6-7 NKJV)
 - 3. Deceitfulness of riches (Ecclesiastes 5:10 NKJV) (Proverbs 18:11 NKJV)
 - 4. Desires for other things

GUARD YOUR HEART WITH YOUR ACTIONS (Proverbs 4:24-27 NKJV)

- · Our words, our focus and our actions impact our inner health
 - 1. Doing what we know to do is good for us
 - 2. Violating what we know is right will hurt our heart
- When David troubled his heart (1 Samuel 24:3-7 NKJV)
 - 1. Saul had been a constant enemy of David
 - 2. The people around David encouraged him to kill Saul
 - 3. David cut off the corner of Saul's robe
 - 4. David would not allow his men to kill Saul
- Our actions, how we live, plays a major role (1 John 3:18-22 NKJV)
 - 1. Love to be more than words
 - 2. Our actions assure our hearts before God
 - 3. When our hearts do not condemn us we have confidence
- A list of pre-approved actions (2 Peter 1:5-8 NKJV)
 - 1. Putting these things into action has benefits
 - 2. Lacking these things does not mean we are not saved (2 Peter 1:9-10 NKJV)