

The Heart is Evil

(NKJV)

Rom. 8: 7-9

Because the carnal mind *is* **enmity against God** [**“hostile to God”**—*NIV*]; for it is not **subject** to the **law** of God, nor indeed can be. So then, those who are in the flesh **cannot** please God. But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, **if** indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Jer. 17:9

The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately WICKED; Who can know it?

Romans 7:18-25

For I know that **in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find. For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the EVIL I will not to do, that I practice.** Now if I do what I will not to do, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. **I find then a law, that EVIL is present with me,** the one who wills to do good. For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. **O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? I thank God—through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.**

Eccl. 9:3

This *is* an evil in all that is done under the sun: that one thing *happens* to all. Truly **the hearts of the sons of men are full of EVIL**; madness *is* in their hearts while they live, and after that *they go* to the dead.

Eph. 2:3

among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, **and were by nature children of wrath**, just as the others.

Mark 7: 21-23

For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed EVIL thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lewdness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. **All these evil things come from within** and defile a man.

Romans 6:6

knowing this, that **our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin.**

Rom. 3: 9-12

What then? Are we better *than they*? Not at all. For we have previously charged both Jews and Greeks that they are all under sin. As it is written: **“There is none righteous, no, not one; There is none who understands; There is none who seeks after God. They have all turned aside; They have together become unprofitable; There is none who does good, no, not one.”**

Also see:

- (1) “The Carnal (Natural) Mind” (companion scriptures)
- (2) Point #1 of website *article* “Is God’s Law ‘Bondage’ and a ‘Heavy Burden’?”
- (3) website *article* “The Supreme IMPORTANCE of God’s Spiritual Law”