

He Knows Peoples Hearts and Thoughts

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“And they came unto Him (unto Jesus), bringing someone paralyzed, who was carried by four. And when they could not come near unto Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was; and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed upon which the one paralyzed lay. When Jesus saw their faith, He said unto the one paralyzed, 'Son, your sins are forgiven.' But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and **reasoning in their hearts**, 'Why does this Man thus speak blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God only?' And immediately, when Jesus **perceived in His Spirit that** they were **reasoning within themselves**, He said unto them, '**Why do you reason these things in your hearts?** What is easier to say to the one paralyzed, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Arise, and take up your bed, and walk?' But, so that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins.' Then He said to the one paralyzed, 'I say unto you, arise, and take up your bed, and go your way into your house. And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed, and glorified God.' ([Mark 2:1-12](#))

“And, behold, they brought to Him a paralyzed man, lying on a bed; and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the one paralyzed; 'Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven.' And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, 'This man blasphemeth.' **And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, 'Why do you think evil in your hearts?** For what is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven;' or to say, 'Arise, and walk?' But, so that you may know that the **Son of Man** has power on earth to forgive sins;' then He said to the one paralyzed; 'Arise, take up your bed, and go unto your house.' And he arose, and departed to his house.” ([Matthew 9:1-8](#))

Knowing: from the Greek word ***eidōs*** which means: having-known; having becoming aware; having perceived with the eyes; to behold; to know something through insight: the capacity to gain an accurate and deep intuitive understanding of a person or thing. In context: this knowing, of Jesus, of their heart's un-spoken 'thoughts' and 'reasonings' speaks of the revelations that exist between the Father and Jesus through the Holy Spirit.

Thoughts: from the Greek word ***enthymeseis*** which means: thoughts; a persons inner unspoken thinkings; considerations, meditations, reflections, remembrances, etc.. The process of using one's mind, or heart, to consider or reason about something.

Think: from the Greek word ***enthymesthe*** which means: think-you; definition: the same as 'thoughts' above.

Perceived: from the Greek word ***epignous*** which means: upon-knowing, having-perceived; to know exactly, to recognize, to ascertain; has a similar meaning as '***eidōs***' above; in context: Jesus perceived in His Spirit the reasonings of their hearts.

Reasoning, Reason: from the Greek words ***dialogizontai*** and ***dialogizesthe***; - from ***dialogizomai*** which means: to reason through something thoroughly, to consider and debate something thoroughly with one's heart and mind; often in a way that typically leads to a confused conclusion. The term implies one confused mind interacting with other confused minds, each further reinforcing the original confusion.

Hearts: from the Greek word ***kardiais*** which means: hearts; the heart; or mind, the inner self, the presumed source location of our thoughts, reasonings, morals, etc.. (The word 'heart' is mentioned over 800 times in Bible, and is only used figuratively in both in the OT and NT; and never in the Bible is it used to refer to the literal physical organ that pumps the blood.)

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Jesus always knew and perceived the evil thoughts and motives of His adversaries and responded to them with such obvious truth, and miracles, that they were shamed in the presence of the common people who were amazed, and glorified God! Please also consider the following:

"And it came to pass also on another Sabbath day, that He (Jesus) entered into the synagogue and taught. And there was a man whose right hand was withered. And the scribes and Pharisees watched Him, whether He would heal on the Sabbath day; so that they might find an accusation against Him. But **He knew their thoughts**, and said to the man who had the withered hand, 'Rise up, and stand forth in the midst.' And he arose and stood forth. Then said Jesus unto them, 'I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? To save life, or to destroy it? (But they held their peace. And when He had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts,) He said unto the man, 'Stretch forth your hand.' And he did so; and his hand was restored whole as the other. And they (the Pharisee) were filled with madness; and communed one with another what they might do to Jesus. (and straightway took counsel with the Herodians against Him, how they might destroy Him.)" (Luke 6:6-8-11) (see also Mark 3:1-6)

"And He was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb-person spoke; and the people marveled. But some of them said, 'He casts out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils.' And others, tempting Him, asked of Him for a sign from Heaven. But He, **knowing their thoughts**, said unto them, 'Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falls. If Satan is also divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? Because you say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore, they shall be your judges. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the Kingdom of God has come upon you." (Luke 11:14-17-20) (and Matthew 12:22-28)

"Then there arose **a reasoning** among them (His close disciples), which of them should be greatest. And Jesus, **perceiving the thoughts of their heart**, took a child, and set him near Himself, and said unto them, 'Whoever shall receive this child in My Name receives Me. And whoever shall receive Me **receives Him (the Father)** who sent Me; for he who is least among you all, the same shall be great.'" (Luke 9:46-48)

Not only did Jesus perceive and know men's thoughts, He also knew and discerned what was in their hearts; please consider the following:

"Now when He was in Jerusalem at the passover, in the feast day, many believed in His Name, when they saw the miracles which He did. But Jesus did not commit Himself unto them, because **He knew all men**, And did not need that any should testify of man; **for He knew what was in man (i.e. in their hearts).**" (John 2:23-25)

This is what Jesus had to say about mens hearts:

"And He (Jesus) called the multitude, and said unto them, 'Hear, and understand; its not that which goes into the mouth that defiles a man; but that which comes out of the mouth, this defiles a man. ... But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For **out of the heart proceed evil thoughts**, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies. These are the things which defile a man:" (Matthew 15:10-11, ... 18-20)

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Jesus quoted His Father who spoke through the prophet Isaiah:

Jesus said, "You hypocrites, well did Isaiah prophesy of you, saying, '*This people draws near unto Me with their mouth, and honors Me with their lips; **but their heart is far from Me. But in vain they do worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.***'" ([Matthew 15:8-9](#)) (quote is from [Isaiah 29:13](#))

The Father, through the prophets, also agrees with His son Jesus:

"And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that **every imagination of the thoughts of his heart** was only evil continually." ([Genesis 6:5](#))

"The LORD **knows the thoughts of man**, that they are vanity." ([Psalms 94:11](#))

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and **He will have mercy upon him**; and (return) to our God, for **He will abundantly pardon.** 'For **My thoughts are not your thoughts**, nor are your ways My ways,' says the LORD. 'For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and **My thoughts (higher) than your thoughts.**'" ([Isaiah 55:7-9](#))

Finally, consider these thoughts from God's prophet Paul the apostle:

"But the righteousness which is of faith speaks on this wise, 'Say not in your heart, 'Who shall ascend into Heaven?' That is, to bring Christ down from above; or, 'Who shall descend into the deep?' That is, to bring up Christ again from the dead. But what does it say? '*The word is near you, even in your mouth, **and in Your heart***, ([Deuteronomy 30:14](#)) that is, the word of faith, which we preach; that if you shall confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in thine heart that God has raised Him from the dead, **you shall be saved.** For with the heart man believes unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.'" ([Romans 10:6-10](#))

And from Jesus: "These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, who is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. **Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you**: not as the world gives, give I unto you. Let not your heart (and thoughts) be troubled, nor let it be afraid." ([John 14:25-27](#))

Jesus Knows the Hearts and Thoughts of all People

Jesus knew and discerned the hearts and thoughts of His adversaries !
Jesus knew and discerned the hearts and thoughts of His own disciples !
Jesus knew that from within the hearts of people, there proceeds forth evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, and blasphemies, ... !!

Jesus said, "Let not your heart (and thoughts) be troubled, nor let it be afraid."

Thank you Jesus for giving us Peace: Peace of mind, heart, and soul !!!

"Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." ([Psalms 139:23-24](#))

Come soon Lord Jesus! Amen! and Amen!