



# **What is Good?**

Matthew 19:16-17



3 important questions in life we must have answers to if we want the orientation of our spiritual life to be right

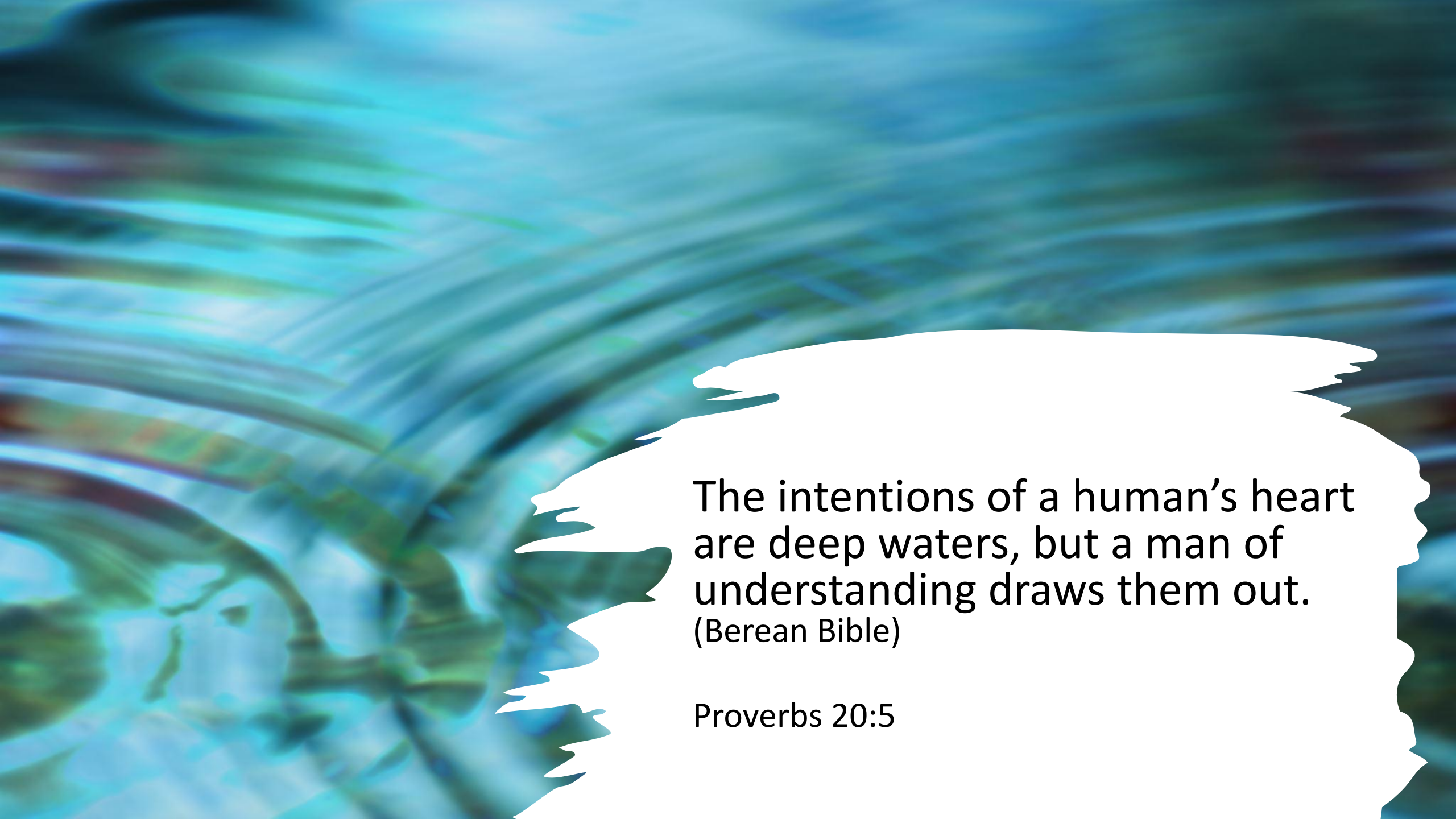
- What is God like?
- What is Good News?
- What is Good?



## A Pivotal Question

Just then a man came up to Jesus and asked, “Teacher, what good thing must I do to inherit eternal life?.” “Why do you ask me about **what is good?**” Jesus replied. “There is only ONE who is good. If you want to enter life, keep the commandments.”

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The intentions of a human's heart  
are deep waters, but a man of  
understanding draws them out.  
(Berean Bible)

Proverbs 20:5



# Telling indicators of where our heart is



CREDIT CARDS

WHAT DO I SPEND MY MONEY ON?



SCREEN TIME

WHAT DO I USE MY TIME FOR?

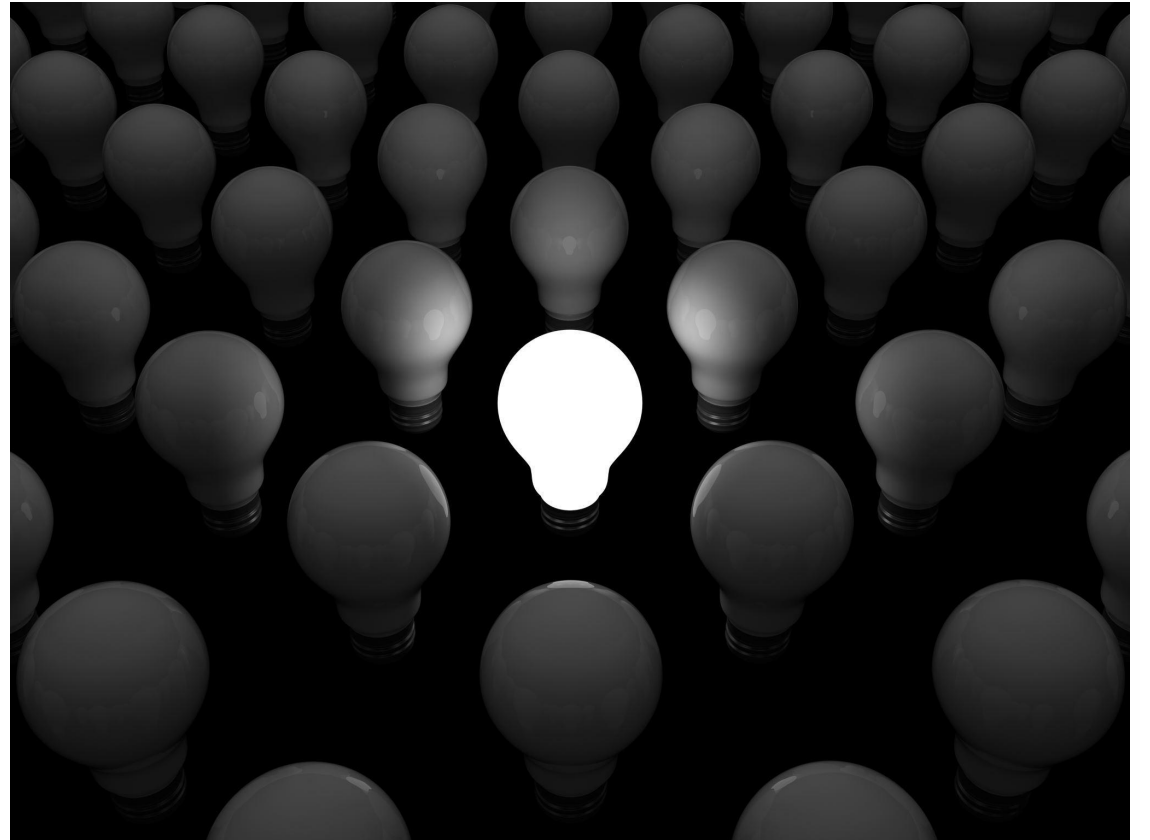


MIND SHARES

WHAT IS ALWAYS ON MY MIND?

“There is only ONE who  
is good.” - Jesus

Matthew 19:16-17





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How Mary  
defines good



# The sufficiency of Jesus

<sup>38</sup> As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" <sup>41</sup> "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, <sup>42</sup> **but few things are needed—or indeed only one.** Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her." Luke 10:38-42



# The “Worth-ship” of Jesus

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup> Here a dinner was given in Jesus’ honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. <sup>3</sup> Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus’ feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. <sup>4</sup> But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, <sup>5</sup> “Why wasn’t this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? **It was worth a year’s wages.** John 12:1-5







# What defines Mary

- Two impeccable qualities of Mary
- Her knowledge of the sufficiency of Jesus and His “worth-ship” to her.

## A sad story of the rich man

If you want to enter life, keep the commandments.”<sup>18</sup> “Which ones?” he inquired. Jesus replied, “‘You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony,<sup>19</sup> honor your father and mother,’ and ‘love your neighbor as yourself.’”<sup>20</sup> “All these I have kept,” the young man said. “What do I still lack?”<sup>21</sup> Jesus answered, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”<sup>22</sup> When the young man heard this, **he went away sad**, because he had great wealth.





# How the rich man defines good

“Jesus is good but something else is better”



# Discovering good is discovering **GOD**.

“There is **ONLY ONE** who is good. If you want to **enter life**, keep  
His commandments.”

Jesus Christ



# Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus

Loiusa Stead

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,  
Just to take Him at His Word;  
Just to rest upon His promise,  
Just to know, "Thus says the Lord!"

Chorus:

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
O for grace to trust Him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,  
Just to trust His cleansing blood;  
Just in simple faith to plunge me  
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Chorus:

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
O for grace to trust Him more!



Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,  
Just from sin and self to cease;  
Just from Jesus simply taking  
Life and rest, and joy and peace.!

Chorus:

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
O for grace to trust Him more!

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee,  
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;  
And I know that Thou art with me,  
Wilt be with me to the end.!

Chorus:

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
O for grace to trust Him more!