

Broken but Chosen

Week one

**“Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things a man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart”
(1 Samuel 16:7).**

1. THE HEART GOD REJECTS

A. The heart that lacks
CONFIDENCE in God.

“Finally Saul son of Kish was chosen [to be king]. When they looked for him, he was not found. So they inquired further of the Lord. ‘Has the man come here yet?’ And the Lord said, ‘Yes, he is here. He has hidden himself among the baggage’” (1 Samuel 10:21–22).

**B. The heart that is
IMPATIENT.**

“What have you done?” Saul replies, “When I saw that the men were scattering, and that you did not come at the set time, and the Philistines were assembling in Micmash, I thought, ...

“Now the Philistines will come down against me at Gilgal, and I have not sought the Lord’s favor.” So I felt compelled to offer the burnt offering”
(1 Samuel 13:11–12).

C. The heart that doesn't OBEY God.

“I have sinned. I have violated the Lord's command and your instructions. I was afraid of the people so I gave into them”
(1 Samuel 15:24).

**D. The heart that never learns
to TRUST God.**

**“On hearing the Philistine’s
[Goliath’s] words, Saul and all
the Israelites were dismayed
and terrified” (1 Samuel 17:11).**

E. The heart that never REPENTS.

“You have not kept the command of the Lord your God. If you had, he would have established your kingdom over Israel for all time”
(1 Samuel 13:13).

**“The fool says in his heart
there is no God. They are
corrupt. Their deeds are vile.
There is no one who does
good, no, not one” (Psalm 14:1).**

The fool is not just the atheist who says there is no God; the fool is also the person who mouths the words but lives with the heart of Saul.

2. THE HEART GOD ACCEPTS

A. The heart that is HUMBLE.

“David came to Saul and entered his service. Saul liked him very much, and David became one of his armor-bearers. Then Saul sent word to Jesse, saying, ‘Allow David to remain in my service, for I am pleased with him’”
(1 Samuel 16:21-22).

**B. The heart that is filled with
INTEGRITY.**

“[God] chose David his servant and took him from the sheep pens; from tending the sheep he brought him to be the shepherd of his people Jacob, of Israel his inheritance. And David shepherded them with integrity of heart; with skillful hands he led them”
(Psalm 78:70–72).

C. The heart that is OBEDIENT.

“After removing Saul, he made David their king. He testified concerning him: ‘I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart’” (Acts 13:22).

**“I have found in David ... a man
after my own heart; he will do
everything I ask him to do.”**

D. The heart that TRUSTS in
God.

“The Lord who delivered me
from the paw of the lion and
the paw of the bear will deliver
me from the hand of this
Philistine.”

E. The heart that is
GENUINELY repentant.

Those who abide in Christ do
not remain in sin.

“Create in me a pure heart, O
God, and renew a steadfast
spirit within me” (Psalm 51:10).

**“For the eyes of the Lord range
throughout the earth to
strengthen those whose hearts
are fully committed”
(2 Chronicles 16:9).**

**“But in your hearts set apart
Christ as Lord” (1 Peter 3:15).**