

Using the New Heart, part 6

- I.** The believer has access to the mind of Christ (1 Cor. 2:16).
 - 1. This new mind constitutes part of a new heart: mind will emotion.
 - 2. Using the mind of Christ is a divine enabling.
 - 3. In the new heart, with the mind of Christ one believes, is illumined, sets Christ aside as Lord, provides a “home” for Christ, direct love, and uses peace to referee his emotions.
- II.** The Holy Spirit intercedes for the Christian (Rom. 8:26-27).
 - 1. The context” (Rom. 8:23).
 - 1) Paul is eagerly expecting his glorified body.
 - 2) Paul groans in anticipation.
 - 2. “Pray” here is general communication to God.
 - 3. “Hearts” refers to the motivation of a spiritual Christian.
 - 1) Christ is the only One who can arcuately judge a human’s motives (1 Cor. 4:5).
 - 2) He judges the “hearts” as sincere, but off target.
 - 4. “Intercession” is to plead a case.
 - 1) For someone (Tim. 2:1).
 - 2) Against someone (Rom. 11:2).
 - 3) For something (1 Tim. 4:5).
 - 4) To the Father (Heb. 7:25).
 - 5. “Mind”—the results of one’s focus: mind-set.
- III.** This passage promises that when we are sincerely communicating to the Father:
 - 1. If we should say something ignorantly, “not knowing”, the Holy Spirit intercedes and make it right before it reaches the Father.
 - 2. Our prayers are “edited”, corrected by the Holy Spirit.
 - 3. God’s plan, not our plan, will be communicated to the Father.
 - 4. God has a standard for the communication that reaches Him.
 - 5. God’s will is precipitated by our prayer, even when amiss because the Holy Spirit replaces His mind-set in place of ours.