

# The Gospel Call & True Conversion

## *Recovering the Gospel*

### **Lesson #8: “A New Heart”**

- Read Chapter **Nine** and answer the following questions from pages 97-104.

**Ezekiel 36:26** “I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.”

1. Explain the meaning of the doctrine of Regeneration.
2. What terms are used in the NT regarding the teaching of Regeneration?
3. What did the author mean by an ‘ontological change’ in man?
4. Why does a sinner’s inability to come to God not remove his responsibility to God?
5. “... the \_\_\_\_\_ of the unregenerate person before God. He \_\_\_\_\_ come to God because he \_\_\_\_\_ not come to God, and he will not \_\_\_\_\_ because of his \_\_\_\_\_ for unrighteousness and his \_\_\_\_\_ for a holy and sovereign God.”
6. What are some of the ways we can display a superficial understanding of the depths of human depravity? (think outside the book)
7. Why are sinners the cause of their ignorance and not victims of it?

8. If sinners could see Christ clearly what would still hinder them from coming to Him?
9. “For an unconverted person to \_\_\_\_\_ to “Christ, he \_\_\_\_\_ not only be given spiritual \_\_\_\_\_, but also his very \_\_\_\_\_ must be changed. He \_\_\_\_\_ be transformed into a \_\_\_\_\_ creature that possesses \_\_\_\_\_ affections.”
10. Why can sinners not come to Christ by the sheer act of the will?
11. What observations stood out to you from the wolf, shepherd and sheep illustration?
12. What does Scripture tell us about what we were like before being given a new heart?
13. “Though we are \_\_\_\_\_ immune to fleshly \_\_\_\_\_ and the temptations of the filth we left behind, we now \_\_\_\_\_ the wrongness of them. If we are deceived and \_\_\_\_\_ to them again, we \_\_\_\_\_ their foulness and taste their rot.”
14. Can we betray our theology by our methodology in ministry?

**Quote:** We need to ask ourselves. “Are we those who have merely made some decision to accept Christ, or are we, new creatures? Are we those who have simply joined ourselves to some expression or institution of Christianity, or have our hearts been changed? Is there any evidence to prove our boast of salvation?”