

Sermon Notes

Luke 8:5-8 (NLT)

God doesn't have a speaking problem, we have a hearing and obeying problem.

Luke 8:11-12 (NLT)

The Polluted Heart

James 1:21 (NLT)

Psalms 19:13 (NIV)

We can't begin a new life until we turn from the old.

Luke 8:13 (NLT)

The Distracted Heart

To hear God's voice you must turn down the world's volume.

Luke 8:14 (NLT)

The Immature Heart

Hebrews 5:11-14 (NLT)

Maturity comes when we stop making excuses and start making changes.

Luke 8:15 (NLT)

The Prepared Heart

How to Cultivate a Prepared Heart?

2 Corinthians 7:1 (MSG)

- Repent
- Refocus
- Receive
- Respond

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2) In what ways have struggled with a Polluted Heart? Is it mostly due to your own choices or decisions, or from not dealing with what's been done to you by others?
- 3) In what ways have struggled with a Distracted Heart? What's one way you can *turn down the world's volume* in order to hear God more clearly?
- 4) In what ways have struggled with an Immature Heart? Do you feel like God is calling you to a deeper level of communication with Him? What needs to change?
- 5) What does a Prepared Heart look like for you in 2019? What will you do this year to help *your ear to hear* God grow? What will you do to help your *heart to obey* grow?