



1. Read Acts 13:22 together. What do you think it means to have a heart after God's own heart? God said this about David after he had committed adultery with Bathsheba and had her husband, Uriah, killed, so how is it possible that David was a man after God's own heart?
Answer—To be a person with God's own heart is a person who thinks like God does, who views life from God's point of view and therefore is obedient to everything God tells them. It does not mean to be perfect like God, but it does mean to see our sin the way God sees it and to correct ourselves when we do sin. This is what David did, read Psalm 51 to see what David said after his sin.
2. If developing a heart after God's own heart is to see everything and respond to everything in life from God's point of view, what is the most important thing we can do to begin to develop that type of heart?
Answer – If we are to develop a heart like God's, we must know how he thinks. The only way to do that is to read His Word every day. 1 Corinthians 2:16 says that "we have the mind of Christ". The Spirit of God reveals to us the truth from God's word so we can think like God. But the second and most important part is that we must be totally committed in our own minds to doing whatever the Word of God tells us to do.
3. Read the following passages and then discuss the characteristics that the passage says a person who is following God and has His heart will display. Which of these do you need to work on today? John 15:17, Mark 10:42-45, Colossians 3:13, 1 Peter 5:5-6, Matthew 28:18-20, and Galatians 5:22.
4. Pastor Jason said that when we sin, we are not disqualified from becoming a person after God's heart, but he did tell us what to do when we do sin. What was it?
Answer—He said that we need to acknowledge that we sinned (Psalm 69:5; 1 John 1:9) and then learn from it (Psalm 139:23,24).

Challenge: What is one thing that I will work on this week in order to bring my heart in line with God's heart?