

## Heart condition

It is always notable when the scribes would ask Jesus questions that he always saw their intentions.

In Matthew 19 they want to ask him again and asked if a man may send his wife away for various reasons. The beauty is that he brings them to the source of marriage from what is well reasoned (verses 4-6). But blind to ask Jesus they stand on the separation letter of Moses. In the replies you feel the Lord is almost irritated and replies that Moses allowed it in view of the hardness of their hearts. And he adds but I tell you, whoever divorces his wife for any reason other than fornication and marries another commits adultery. His disciples somewhat worried by the answer ask whether it is advisable to marry. Jesus therefore provide a description of the heart which is profound;

- For there are circumcised who were born so from their mother's womb,
- And there are circumcised who have been made so by men,
- And there are circumcised who have circumcised themselves for the sake of the Kingdom of Heavens.



from the womb a  
circumcised heart



circumcision of the foreskin by  
human hands



circumcised himself

Why is this a description of the heart? In the Old Testament, the Lord mentioned that all He desires is the circumcision of the heart Jer. 4: 4.

- First circumcised from the womb, these are very few (Enoch, David, John the Baptist and the Lord Jesus) who have a circumcised heart for the sake of it Kingdom of Heaven
  - The second group are the Israelites by the law circumcised by human hands, but have not circumcised their hearts.
  - The third group Jew (as Nicodemus) and Gentiles who repent are born again and have themselves circumcised for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven.
- God truly sees the heart; Keep thy heart with all diligence (Prov. 4:23), and wear the breastplate of righteousness (Eph. 6:14) to save your heart for iniquity.

Wish you God's Merci and Truth (Prov.3: 3)!