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**Heart Check**

Matthew 13:1-23

* In America these days we stop and read anything about how to be healthier and live longer. How should we decide what is worth setting everything aside for to find out more about it (Matthew 13:10-12, 16-19)?
* How much do ‘good intensions’ and ‘being nice’ count with God (Matthew 13:4, 20-21)?
* What is God’s answer for the busyness that makes it hard to follow Jesus (Matthew 13:7, 22)?
* Why does Jesus quote the passage from Isaiah 6:9-10? Are people intentionally left out of the Kingdom of Heaven? Is that fair (Romans 9:14-16)?
* What seeds from God have rooted deeply in your heart (Matthew 13:8, 23)? What do you need to stop and pay attention to, or start caring about?
* Who in Your World outright rejects the gospel? Pray for their heart right now.
* Who do you know that once walked in the Lord but has fallen away? Pray for their heart right now.