**GETTING TO THE HEART OF BEHAVIOR**

**Chapter 1**

To begin this study please mark, underline, or highlight the statements in the introduction that I have pointed out below. These are sentences that have important discussion points for you and your mate. These statements are identified by the page number in the book and begin with the first and last part of a sentence or paragraph. Also, be aware that page numbers may not match older copies of Shepherding a Childs Heart, so you will need to work a little harder at finding answers.

Use this study with your mate to discuss and work out a plan to implement what you are learning. It is better to pause and plan as opposed to just getting through the book and study guide. In a class setting, please come prepared to comment to the group areas of study within each chapter. This study will not be complete without your input and your “one-another” ministry to everyone in the classroom.

**Introduction**

Pg xvii. Please mark, underline or highlight in your book these statements.

1. “This story is not………….ready left home.”….”I refer……..point for their lives.”

2. “Our culture has……….”

3. “Many People have children,……..”

4. “The notion of……….”

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5. “Today’s parents are part……………”

6. “As a result, it is no……….”

“Mom doesn’t………”

“Dad, for his part…….”

“Children raised……….role in life.”

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7. “This book, however…..unsafe guide.”

8. “The only safe guide is the. ”

9. “Let me overview……….. as people under God.”

Please comment on the headings under the following comment.

>Authority, Shepherding  
>The Centrality of the Gospel  
>Internalization of the Gospel  
>Mutuality as People under God

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1. What is significant about the first two sentences in this chapter?

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2. What does Proverbs 4:23 encourage us to do?

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3. The heart is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. The heart \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Mark 7:21

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5. What your Children\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a reflection of what is in their hearts. Luke 6:45

6. In what way are the passages cited above “instructive for the task of childrearing”, and also help us to remember something.

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7. What is a real danger for parents to get “sidetracked with” and often becomes the focus.

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8. “Your child’s needs are far more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than his aberrant behavior.” “If you are to rally help him, you must be concerned with the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that drive his behavior.”

9. “A change in behavior that does not stem from a change in heart is not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; it is condemnable.”

What does Jesus call behavioral change that does not stem from a change in the heart? Pg4

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Jesus calls behavioral change that is not from the heart “hypocrisy.” In Matthew 15 Jesus denounces the Pharisees who honored him with their lips while their hearts were far from Him. Jesus sensors them as people who wash the outside of the cup while the inside is still unclean. Yet this is what we often do in child rearing. We demand changed behavior and never address the heart that drives the behavior.

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**Highlight the remainder of these statements**

10. “What must you do in correction and discipline?” “ pgs 4 & 5

11. “You cannot, however, be satisfied to leave the matter there.” “You must help your child…...”Pg 5

12. “List several things this understanding of the heart does for discipline? Pg 6

14. “This emphasis is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of this book: The heart is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

15. “Therefore, parenting is………….not just reprove them.”

16. What is the proposition that the author gives and how will it inform you?

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17. “In all these topics the…..\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”Pg 7

18. “I am full of hope…\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

19 “If you are to sort through…..our task biblically.”

20.” You need to understand your child in relationship to the two broad sets of issues that affect him:

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