

Purpose of **Testing**: **Reveal Motives** of the Heart

Psalms 26:2 (LB) Cross-examine me, O Lord, and see that this is so; **test** my **motives** and **affections** too.

Proverbs 21:2 (LB) We can justify our every deed, but God looks at our **motives**.

Jeremiah 17:9 (LB) The **heart** is the most deceitful thing there is, and desperately wicked. No one can really know how bad it is! 10 Only the Lord knows! He searches all **hearts** and examines **deepest motives** so He can give to each person his right reward, according to his deeds- how he has lived.

I Cor 3:13 Their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the **fire** will **test** the **quality** of each person's work.

Proverbs 20:27 (LB) A man's conscience is the Lord's searchlight. It exposes his **hidden motives**.

Psalms 51:10 Create in me a new, **clean** heart, O Lord, with clean **thoughts** and **right desires**.

Psa 139:23 Search me, O God, and know my **heart**; **test** me and know my anxious thoughts. 24 See if there is any offensive way in me,

1 Chron 29:17 I know, my God, that you **test** the **heart** and are pleased with integrity.

STRESS TEST OF **ADVERSITY**

TO **REVEAL **MOTIVES** OF THE HEART**

Deut 8:2 Remember how the LORD your God led you all the way in the desert these forty years, to humble you and to **test** you in order to know what was in your **heart**, whether or not you would **keep** his **commands**. 3 he humbled you causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna.

Exo 16:1 The whole Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Desert of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had come out of Egypt. 2 In the desert the whole community **grumbled** against Moses and Aaron. 3 The Israelites said to them, "**If only** we had died by the Lord's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death."

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Num 11.4 The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started **wailing** and said, "**If only** we had meat to eat! 5 **We remember** the **fish** we ate in **Egypt** at no cost—also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. 6 But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!"

Num 11.10 Moses heard the people of every family **wailing**, each at the entrance to his tent. The **LORD** became exceedingly **angry**, and **Moses** was **troubled**

Num 11.1 Now the people **complained** about their hardships in the hearing of the LORD, and when he heard them his **anger** was aroused. Then fire from the LORD burned among them and consumed some of the outskirts of the camp.

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Deut 8.15 He led you through the vast and **dreadful desert**, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. 16 He gave you **manna** to eat in the **desert**, something your fathers had never known, to **humble** and to **test** you so that in the **end** it might **go well** with you.

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STRESS TEST OF PROSPERITY

TO REVEAL MOTIVES OF THE HEART

2Chron 32:24 In those days **Hezekiah** became ill and was at the point of death. He **prayed** to the LORD, who **answered** him and gave him a **miraculous sign**.

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2Ch 32:26 Then **Hezekiah repented** of the **pride** of his **heart**, as did the people of Jerusalem; therefore the LORD's **wrath** did **not come** upon them during the days of Hezekiah.

2 Chron 32.27 Hezekiah had very **great wealth** and honor, and he made treasuries for his silver and **gold** and for his precious stones, spices, shields and all kinds of valuables. 28 He also made buildings to store the harvest of grain, new wine and olive oil; and he made stalls for various kinds of cattle, and pens for the flocks. 29 He built villages and acquired **great numbers** of **flocks** and herds, for **God had given** him very **great riches**. 30 It was Hezekiah who blocked the upper outlet of the Gihon spring and channeled the water down to the west side of the City of David. He **succeeded** in **everything** he **undertook**.

2 Ch 32:31 But when envoys were sent by the rulers of Babylon to ask him about the miraculous sign that had occurred in the land, God left him to **test** him and to **know everything** that was in his **heart**.

2 King 20.12 Hezekiah received the **envoys** and **showed** them **all** that was in his storehouses—the silver, the gold, the spices and the fine olive oil—his armory and **everything** found among his **treasures**. there was nothing in his palace or in all his kingdom that Hezekiah did not show them.

2 Kings 20.19 “The word of the Lord you have spoken is good,” Hezekiah replied. for he thought, “Will there not be **peace** and **security** in **my lifetime**?”

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