

A FATHER'S ADVICE
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I. FIRST, WHAT DOES SOLOMON MEAN BY HEART?

- A. How does Solomon use the word "heart"?
 - 1. He doesn't mean the organ in our chest.
 - 2. He doesn't mean the heart the center of our emotions.
- B. How does Solomon use "heart"?
 - 1. Solomon means a person's "thoughts", "mind", "will" and "attitudes."
 - 2. The heart, then, is who we really are on the inside.

II. SECOND, WHY SHOULD WE GUARD OUR HEARTS?

- A. First, because it's valuable.
- B. Second, because it's the source of everything we do.
- C. Third, because it's under attack.

III. THIRD, HOW WE CAN GUARD OUR HEARTS?

- A. First, with a sense of urgency.
- B. Then Solomon lists three specific ways to guard our hearts.
 - 1. First, watch your mouth--4:24.
 - 2. Second, shield your eyes--4:25.
 - 3. Third, walk a straight line--4:26.