



“Thus says the LORD, "Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches; but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD who exercises lovingkindness, justice, and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things," declares the LORD.” Jeremiah 9:23 – 24 NASB

There is a simple three question test that quickly reveals the condition of the human heart. How often our inner motives and drives lie hidden within the soul and are covered over by actions and deeds that belie and camouflage the real inner condition?

“Holy Spirit, search my heart and thoughts and see if there be any wicked way in me...” (Psalm 139:23 – 24).

Here then is your three question test...<sup>1</sup>

1. Are you willing to not be esteemed?
2. Are you willing to not be in control?
3. Are you willing to not be secure?

Ultimately, there is only one Source for all we need. In Jesus alone we find our self worth and purpose for living. In Jesus alone we may rest from the demands and weight of the drive to manage our lives and the lives of others. In Jesus alone, we find security in this life and in a future dimly seen with our natural eyes. In Jesus alone!

So, how did you fair on this simple three question test?

(You’ve taken this test by reading, are you passionate enough (and brave enough) to ask Jesus to personally administer to you the test?)

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<sup>1</sup>Shared with Derek Prince by a Trappist Monk.