



Devotional | Week 1, Day 2

This is what the LORD says:

“Cursed are those who put their trust in mere humans,
who rely on human strength
and turn their hearts away from the LORD.

They are like stunted shrubs in the desert,
with no hope for the future.

They will live in the barren wilderness,
in an uninhabited salty land.

“But blessed are those who trust in the LORD
and have made the LORD their hope and confidence.

They are like trees planted along a riverbank,
with roots that reach deep into the water.

Such trees are not bothered by the heat
or worried by long months of drought.

Their leaves stay green,
and they never stop producing fruit.

“The human heart is the most deceitful of all things,
and desperately wicked.

Who really knows how bad it is?

But I, the LORD, search all hearts
and examine secret motives.

I give all people their due rewards,
according to what their actions deserve.”

Jeremiah 17:5-10

At The Ridge, our mission is to help people find and follow Jesus. As you read the next portion of this devotional, consider the FIND comments if you are exploring faith or helping others explore their faith. Use the FOLLOW section to help you take steps if you are currently following Jesus.

FIND: How can you relate with placing your trust in humans and relying on human strength?

FOLLOW: Society tells us to “follow your heart”. However, today’s reading states “the human heart is the most deceitful of all things.” How do you trust God and not your heart?