

# Treating Heart Disease (2)

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Modern medicine has come a long way. Things that used to be difficult to treat 40 years ago are successfully dealt with today. Open heart surgery was very experimental in the early 1960's. It was very risky with no guarantees that the person would even wake up after surgery. Today people are effectively treated and are able to return to a normal life.

However, open heart surgery will not treat the most serious condition of a person's heart. Spiritual heart disease cannot be cured with open heart surgery and medication. The cure for this can come only from Jesus Christ. Jeremiah 17:9 tells us that "the heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?"

The works of the flesh are the result of spiritual heart disease. Left untreated a person with spiritual heart disease is cut off from God and will step into eternity permanently separated from God. The person who gives their life to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord has their heart disease taken care of by the Lord. The Holy Spirit produces the "fruit of the Spirit" in a Christian's life. Galatians 5:22-23 describe the results of walking in step with God's Holy Spirit.