

Orphan Heart vs. Spirit of Adoption ~ Slavery vs. Sonship

Quality	Orphan Heart	Heart of Sonship
Image of God	- Sees God as a master	- Sees God as a loving Father
Outlook on Life	- Independent and self-reliant	- Inter-dependant—acknowledges need to for God and to be part of a body, family
Theology	- Love of the Law—What I do and don't do - Comes from a place of judgement	- Lives by the law of Love - Comes from a place of grace
Security	- Insecure; lacks peace - Fights for everything in life	- Even in times of turmoil is at rest and peace - Trusts in God's provision
Need 4 Approval	- Strives for praise, approval, acceptance of others	- Totally accepted by God's love and justified by His grace—no need to work, strive, or earn
Attitude to Love	- Love is based on what I do and not who I am - Love is earned and rewarded	- Love is based on who I am and not what I do - Love is freely given and received
Motive for Service	- Need for personal achievement as they seek to impress God and others or no motivation at all - Duty, routine, guilt	- Deep gratitude for being unconditionally loved & accepted by God - Serves from a place of peace, desire, & joy
Disciplines	- Duty, guilt, & earning God's favour - no motivation/interest at all	- Pleasure and a delight—enjoy's God's company and will - Hunger for the things of God
Motive for Purity	- Must be 'holy' to have God's favour - Decrease a sense of shame/guilt - Law/fear based	- Don't want anything to hinder relationship with God - Sin is not worth the cost
Self Image	- Self rejection from comparing self to others - Unsure of self	- Has a positive self image because of value and worth in God's eye - Confident in self
Sources of Comfort	- Seeks comfort in counterfeit affections or external things (food, sex, drugs, alcohol, pornography, escapism, hyper-religious activity, relationships, etc.)	- Seeks times of peace, quiet, and solitude to rest in the Father's presence and love
Peer Relationship	- Competition, rivalry, jealousy towards other's success/position - Pride and self-centeredness	- Humility and unity as they value others and are able to rejoice in their blessings and successes
Dealing with Other's Faults	- Accusation and exposure in order to make self look good at another's expense - Sideways comments & gossip that call into questions a person's character in someone else's eyes	- Love covers as you seek to restore others in a spirit of compassion and gentleness
View of Authority	- Sees authority as a source of pain/control - Distrustful and lacks a submissive heart	- Respectful of authority (not perfect) - Sees them as agents of God's good/blessing
View of Correction	- Difficulty receiving correction - Must be right, and easily gets feelings hurt - Defensive, never admits to being wrong	- Sees correction as a blessing and opportunity to grow- so faults and weaknesses can be exposed and put to death

Expressing Love	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Love is guarded and conditionally based on other's performance - Seeks to meet own needs first - Fair weathered friend 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Love is open and affectionate as it lays self down for others - Seeks to meet the needs of others first
Sense of God's Presence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - God's presence is distant and conditional on how I behave - No place to call home 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - God is close and intimate (heart-based) - Every place is home because God is always there
Spiritual Condition in Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In bondage/slavery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Liberty/freedom in Christ
Spiritual Position in Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feels like a servant or slave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feels like a Son/Daughter
Vision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spiritually ambitious with a desire for achievement/distinction—striving - Desire to be seen and counted among the 'mature' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Desire to daily experience the Father's unconditional love and acceptance and then to be sent as His representative to do His will for His glory
Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fight for what you can get - Unaware/thankful for what you have 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Released into inheritance of blessing - Thankful for all that God has given/done