

**SERMON NOTES**  
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**Our Rebellious Hearts**  
Isaiah 1:2-3, 5, 7, 18-20

- Rebellion (vs. 1-4)  
2 Chronicles 7:14 "If my people will humble themselves..."

"Faced with the choice between changing one's mind and proving that there is no need to do so, almost everybody gets busy on the proof." --John Kenneth Galbraith, American Economist

- Results (vs. 5-9)  
Galatians 5:19-21 "...the deeds of the flesh are evident..."
  
- Religion (vs. 11-15)
  
  
- Reason (v. 18)  
yakach – "argument, legal case"

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Jacob wrestling with God – Genesis 32

2 Timothy 2:7 "CONSIDER what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything."

Matthew 11:28-29 "COME unto me..."

## Isaiah 1:2-3, 5, 7, 18-20 (NIV84)

<sup>2</sup> Hear, O heavens! Listen, O earth!

For the Lord has spoken:

"I reared children and brought them up,  
but they have rebelled against me.

<sup>3</sup> The ox knows his master,  
the donkey his owner's manger,  
but Israel does not know,  
my people do not understand."

<sup>5</sup> Why should you be beaten anymore?

Why do you persist in rebellion?

Your whole head is injured,  
your whole heart afflicted.

<sup>7</sup> Your country is desolate,

your cities burned with fire;

your fields are being stripped by foreigners  
right before you,

laid waste as when overthrown by strangers.

<sup>18</sup> "Come now, let us reason together,"  
says the Lord.

"Though your sins are like scarlet,

they shall be as white as snow;

though they are red as crimson,

they shall be like wool.

<sup>19</sup> If you are willing and obedient,

you will eat the best from the land;

<sup>20</sup> but if you resist and rebel,

you will be devoured by the sword."

For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.