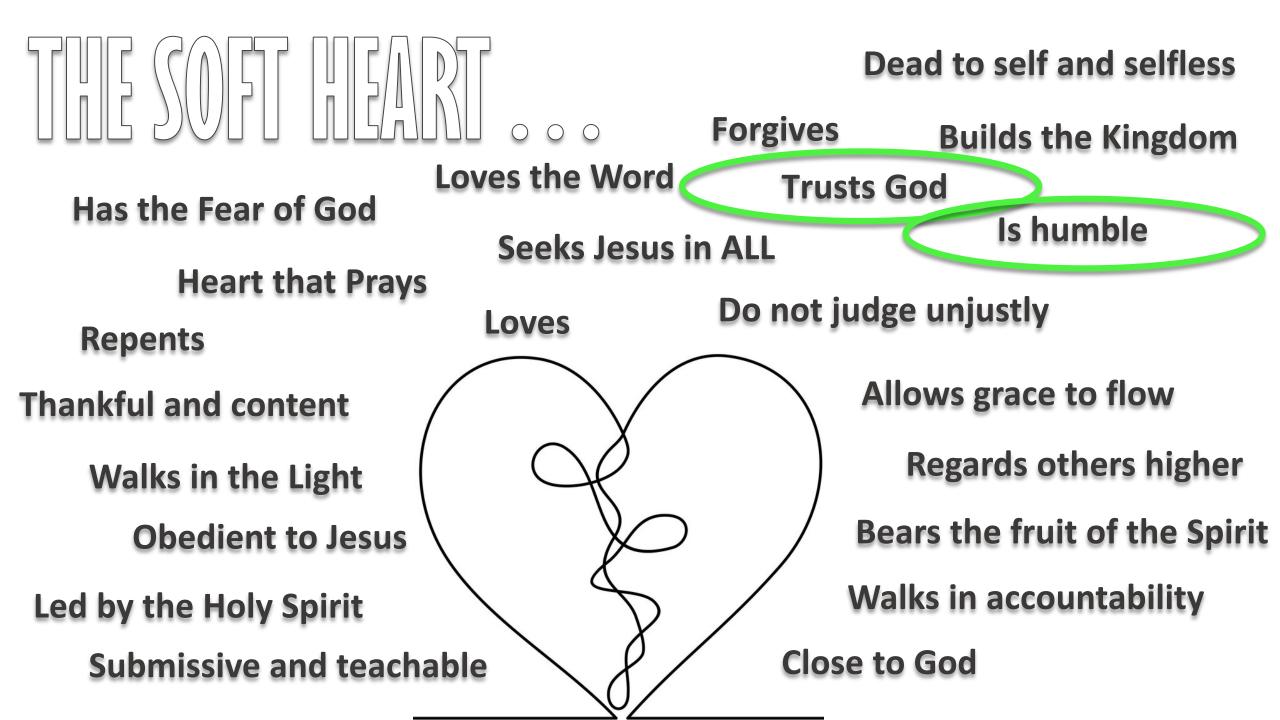
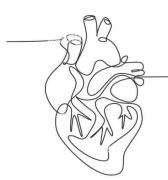
SOFT HEARTS TRUST

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Trust I firm belief in the reliability, truth, or ability of someone or something.

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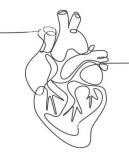
We are a people of SOFT HEARTS who TRUSTS JESUS

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2. Scripture: John 21 Jesus' Third Appearance to the Disciples

1 After this, Jesus revealed Himself again to His disciples by the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed Himself in this way: 2 Simon Peter, Thomas (called "Twin"), Nathanael from Cana of Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of His disciples were together. 3 "I'm going fishing," Simon Peter said to them. "We're coming with you," they told him. They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. 4 When daybreak came, Jesus stood on the shore. However, the disciples did not know it was Jesus. 5 "Men," Jesus called to them, "you don't have any fish, do you?" "No," they answered. 6 "Cast the net on the right side of the boat," He told them, "and you'll find some." So they did, and they were unable to haul it in because of the

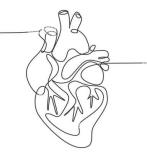
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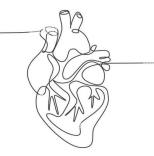
13 Jesus came, took the bread, and gave it to them. He did the same with the fish. 14 This was now the third time Jesus appeared to the disciples after He was raised from the dead.

Let's have a look:

Let Jesus encourage us through His Word and Spirit!

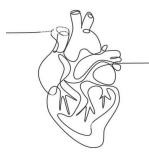


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Why the right side?



- the right hand speaks of the strong arm / strength of God
- God's saving, strong arm, 'He is at my right hand', Jesus seated at God's right hand
- **Psalm 89:13** Your arm is endowed with power; your hand is strong, your right hand exalted.
- <u>This morning I got</u>: **Psalm 108:6** Save us and help us with your right hand, that those you love may be delivered.

It was again HIS STRENGTH, in their WEAKNESS, that brings the life and supernatural grace!

2 Corinthians 12:9 ESV

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in <u>weakness</u>." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my <u>weaknesses</u>, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

→ As we need Him at the day of our calling, so we need Him in every season..

2 Corinthians 12:10 ESV

For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with <u>weaknesses</u>, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

GOD'S STRENGTH



Psalm 73:26 ESV

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

1 Chronicles 16:11 ESV

Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!

Joel 3 ... Let the weak say I am strong

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The soft heart that trusts and knows Him, can rest in weakness, expectant for His strength

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TRUSTING HEARTS Fire, food and fellowship with our

serving and loving King Jesus



