The Secret Hidden Wisdom

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This is Derek Prince with a word for you from the Word.

"Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place." (Psalm 51:6 NIV)

Those words are addressed by the psalmist David to the Lord Himself. What is it that God really looks for in our lives? First and foremost, it is not the external practices of religion – not necessarily churchgoing or other religious acts. God looks much deeper than those. He looks right down into the innermost depths of our hearts and our lives.

Elsewhere, the Bible tells us that God does not see as man sees because man looks on the outward appearance, but God looks on the heart. So David says, "Surely you desire truth in the inner parts." What does God want? What is truth in the inner parts? I believe it is absolute sincerity – the opposite of religious externalism, hypocrisy. Those things do not appeal to God. In fact, He does not approve of them. He detests them. He looks beneath all that. He wants to see if we are sincere, open, and transparent in our relationship with Him. Do we say the same thing with our mouths that we are thinking in our minds?

If we come to that place, then we can say, like the psalmist, "You teach me wisdom in the inmost place." There is a secret place in our innermost being where we can begin to hear the voice of God and learn from Him and He teaches us wisdom there.