## Big Idea:

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## Context is key!

Question \#1 (Context)
Ask Yourself: What is going on in the text?
a) What is the setting and what is happening?
b) Who are the main characters?
c) Are there any words/phrases that are repeated?

## Question \#2 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What does the text says about God and about me?
a) Is God saying or showing something about Himself? If so, what?
b) Do the words in the text predict, prophesy or picture something about Jesus? If so, what?
c) Is God saying or showing something about us? If so, what?
d) How does the text point to my need for Jesus? How?

Point 1: HEAVY HEART: Receive Hope! (vv. 1-4a)
"Before seeing man with a heart for God, we see a God who has a heart for a man!" Sermon Notes...

Apply It...
Rd. vv. 1-4: What is one specific way I can live by these truths today?
b) What is the next step that I need to take too see this happen?

Point 2: CONFUSED HEART: Receive Wisdom! (vv. 4b-12)
Sermon Notes...

Apply It....
a) Rd. vv. 6-12: Discuss what it means to be a man/woman after God's heart.
b) How does the gospel empower us to increasingly be after God's heart?

## Point 3: HUMBLE HEART: Receive Courage! (vv. 11-13)

Sermon Notes...

Apply It...
a) Rd vv. 11-13: Where was David when God called him?
b) How do we know that David's heart was humble before the Lord?
c) Why was God's choice unexpected?

## Prayer Application

Spend time as a group/in accountability in prayer...
a) REVERENCE before God: Jesus, you are $\qquad$ .
b) HUMILITY before God: Confess $Q$ repent of areas that are not after God's heart.
c) THANKSGIVING to God: Jesus, thank Your heart for me as shown through $\qquad$ .
d) SUPPLICATION to God: Jesus, please strengthen my heart for you in $\qquad$ .

Memory Verse:
" f ..For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.'"-1 Samuel 16: 7b

