

# The Lord looks at the heart

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The LORD does not look at the things man looks at.  
Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.

1 Samuel 16:7

What a wonderful truth; what amazing love. If “the LORD looks at the heart,” then He sees every bruise, every battering, every break our hearts endure. While others may not see beyond our skin and into our pain, God does. He is aware of our deepest wounds, our greatest needs.

For God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

1 John 3:20

God knows the condition of our hearts in this very moment, and He cares. For us, His children, God wants healing.

If you know the ministry of CURE International, you’ve most likely seen beautiful, life-changing transformations of children’s bodies. By the grace of God and through the skilled hands of surgeons, precious boys and girls are released from physical disabilities and given new freedom and joy.

CURE doesn’t stop there. The mission of CURE is to “heal the sick and proclaim the kingdom of God,” just as Jesus did when He walked this earth. It is both a physical and spiritual mission: looking beyond the skin, into the eyes and souls of those who are hurting, and helping them find healing.



One way CURE does this is through CUREMoms. It is often the mothers of children in CURE hospitals who are suffering severe pain - emotionally and spiritually. In developing countries, because of their child's condition, mothers are usually the ones blamed for the "sin" that "cursed" their son or daughter. Shunned from their communities and sometimes rejected by their own families, these moms arrive at CURE hospitals not only with a desperately needy child but with an utterly broken spirit as well.



CUREMoms was founded to help change that.

While their children are being cared for, so are moms. Spiritual teams at every hospital reach out to these mothers, looking at their hearts, sharing with them God's compassion and redeeming truth: "Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you... Do not be afraid, for I am with you" (Isaiah 43:4-5). Perhaps for the first time in a long time - maybe ever - moms hear that they are loved and valued, that everything isn't their fault. Healing begins.

If you would like to be part of CUREMoms, there are several ways YOU can be a blessing:

1. First, [go to the online store and buy a CUREMoms t-shirt](#). When you do, another shirt will be given to a mother at a CURE hospital whose child is having surgery. These moms are ecstatic to receive a gift, especially a new article of clothing that reminds them they are "Precious, Honored, and Loved!"



2. Write a note of encouragement to a mom and her child in a hospital. By going to [cure.org/getwell](https://cure.org/getwell), you can send a message that will be translated and delivered to a child and their guardian, who most often is their mom. Think of how wonderful it is to receive encouraging words or scripture! Your note would be so appreciated - possibly the highlight of one mom's day.



3. If you're on Facebook, "Like" [the CUREMoms page](https://www.facebook.com/cureMoms) to learn more about this global ministry of

encouragement for moms. You'll also find real-life stories about mothers whose lives have been changed.



4. Last, but certainly not least, pray! Lift these mothers up to the One who heals. You will find specific prayer requests from mothers at CURE hospitals [listed on cure.org on the CUREMoms prayer request page](#). What an awesome privilege to be a part of helping a hurting, broken heart become whole!

In closing, believe that “the LORD looks at your heart,” too. He knows your hurts; He knows your needs. Ask Him for help and healing. In God’s sight, you are precious, honored, and loved. He treasures you!

This is what the LORD, the God of your father David, says: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears; I will heal you.

2 Kings 20:5