

# Transforming the Hard Heart

by John Henry Jowett

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*God's love has the power to transform even the hardest of hearts, restoring them to a right relationship with Him.*

**Scripture:** Isaiah 35:1, Ezekiel 36:26, Romans 5:20

**Topics:** "Heart Transformation", "Gods Grace"

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## Description

John Henry Jowett preaches about the transformative power of God, using the analogy of turning flint into a fountain of waters. He emphasizes how even the hardest of hearts can be softened by God's love and grace, leading to a profound change in character and behavior. Just like Zacchaeus and Matthew experienced a radical transformation, no one is beyond the reach of God's compassion. Jowett encourages bringing our hardness and brokenness to the Lord, trusting in His ability to bring forth new life and beauty even in the most desolate places.

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## Transcript

\_The Lord "turned the flint into a fountain of waters."\_

--PSALM cxiv.

What a violent conjunction, the flint becoming the birthplace of a spring!

And yet this is happening every day. Men who are as "hard as flint," whose

hearts are "like the nether millstone," become springs of gentleness and

fountains of exquisite compassion. Beautiful graces, like lovely ferns,

grow in the home of severities, and transform the grim, stern soul into a

garden of fragrant friendships. This is what Zacchæus was like when his

flint became a fountain. It is what Matthew the publican was like when the

Lord changed his hard heart into a land of springs.

No one is "too far gone." No hardness is beyond the love and pity of God.

The well of eternal life can gush forth even in a desert waste, and "where sin abounds grace doth much more abound." Let us bring our hardness to the Lord. Let us see what He can make of our flint. When we are dry and "feelingless," and desire is dead, let us bring this Sahara to the great Restorer, and "the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the rose."

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