



**CHRISTMAS AT THE MOVIES:
The Grinch Who Stole Christmas**
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Grinch: an unpleasant person who spoils other people's _____ or _____.

The Grinch couldn't enjoy the joys of Christmas because his heart was _____ too small.

Jeremiah 17:9 "The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is?"

Our heart can cause us to make _____ choices.

_____ **will cause your heart to shrink and turn you into a grinch.**

Proverbs 18:1 (CSB) One who isolates himself pursues selfish desires; he rebels against all sound wisdom.

1 John 2:9 If anyone claims, "I am living in the light," but hates a fellow believer, that person is still living in darkness.

You have an enemy who wants to _____ your _____.

John 10:10a The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy.

_____ will steal the joy that God has given you.

Lasting _____ only comes from Jesus.

Jesus needs to be the _____ of our joy.

Nehemiah 8:10c Don't be dejected and sad, for the joy of the Lord is your strength!"

The world didn't give you _____ and it can't take it away.

Don't look on the _____ to change something on the _____.

Ezekiel 36:26-27 And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart.
27 And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations.

God wants our hearts to _____.

If you have settled for anything other than a _____ - _____ life you have settled for something that is too _____.

Psalms 51:10 (ESV) Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Discussion Questions

Icbreaker: What is your favorite Christmas movie?

1. Read Ezekiel 36:26-27. Discuss what stands out to you.
2. Have you ever felt like the Grinch?
3. Share a time when someone spoiled your fun or enjoyment.
4. Tell about a time when God changed your heart?
5. Is there anything this group can pray for?