

**General Topics :: Purity in the Summertime!!****Purity in the Summertime!! - posted by deltadom (), on: 2005/6/24 11:27**

I find it is hard to stay pure in the summertime than it is in the wintertime  
Jesus please purify me and help me to be clean and help sort out my electrity and my situation!!  
Does anyone face the same problem!!  
Jesus please keep me pure!!

**Re: Purity in the Summertime!! - posted by ccchhrrriiiss (), on: 2005/6/24 11:53**

Hey there, deltadom...!

I appreciate the honesty of your posts! I suppose that if each of us answered just as honestly, we would admit that we each face the same battle. It is that constant "war" between the "flesh" and the "spirit." We are encouraged to "walk in the spirit" so that we do not "fulfill the lusts of the flesh." I find that, in my life, the best way is to not put myself in situations where the temptation is great -- regardless of what that temptation is (sort of like Lot pitching his tent *toward Sodom*). And I constantly pray that the Lord help me to hate whatever sin attempts to tempt me the most.

I also pray that God show me each situation as HE sees it. In a struggle against lust, we can pray that the Lord help us view each young lady as a sister. In a struggle against worldliness, we can pray that the Lord remind us of Christ's loving death for this lost world. If we struggle with hate, again, I pray that God remind me of his loving death for each individual.

Sometimes, it is nice to find a close trusted brother to speak honestly and candidly with about our struggles.

I will be praying for you today. Please do the same for me. May the Lord bless you and keep you!

:~)  
-Chris  
Matthew 11:28-30

**Re: Purity in the Summertime!! - posted by Chosen7Stone (), on: 2005/6/24 13:32**

I think the season proves to be more of a problem for our age group than those more mature in their years than us...but I haven't been that age yet so I can't say with certainty.

deltadom, if you're in your 20s like ccchhrrriiiss and I, then you're probably on a college campus, SURROUNDED by girls who have more desire to ensnare you than respect your lifestyle of faith.

As far as they go, think Proverbs 11:22.

I'm a girl, so I don't suffer the same temptation as you...not exactly attracted to the scantily-clad females...but it's ironic (or just plain shameful) that the tables are turned for me... I live in the Sunshine State of Florida, and grew up in South Florida (near Miami), so when summer rolls around I want to hit the beach! But you know, those one-piece bathing suits just aren't made in my size (a moderately tall, very slim 20-year-old). One piece bathing suits are marketed toward senior citizens and older mothers who are trying to hide hips...so they're just not appealing, or they have support in places I don't need it...you get the picture. I put on one of those and we've got straps falling down all over the place, extra fabric that GIVES me weird floppy rolls, etc.

So my temptation? Gee, that little black bikini would fit PERFECT. But it's a sin to be a stumbling block for others.

I agree with you. Now that I'm living in Tallahassee, where the winters sometimes require mittens and a scarves (especially for us South Florida babies), winter is a lot less tempting. I don't need to worry about whether or not I'm a stumbling block when I've got a huge sweater on. :-P

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**Re: Purity in the Summertime!! - posted by dohzman (), on: 2005/6/24 20:59**

I have to agree with you. One thing I always remind myself and others is this, "you can't stop a bird from flying over your head but you can stop it from making a nest in your hair, or for thoughts without hair, on your head. Of course I'm talking about the thought life. What most distressing at times to me isn't so much how the world dresses(or undresses) but who sisters in the Lord come into the sanctuary only half dressed during summer, a real lack of modesty.

2Co 10:3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh:

2Co 10:4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

2Co 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ

**Re: Purity in the Summertime!! - posted by Des (), on: 2005/6/24 22:27**

deltadom,

Brother I hear you! All of the men in my family suffer from hypersexuality and I'm the only one who is saved. I must be in constant prayer and God's Word daily or I go sprinting in the wrong direction. I avoid suggestive television programs, Hollywood, the mall, beach and anywhere else which would inflame my lust for the female flesh. My role model is Joseph and my warning is David.

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

Colossians 3:5, English Standard Version

God bless,

Des

**Re: Purity in the Summertime!! - posted by \_Disciple\_ (), on: 2005/6/25 8:30**

Hey deltadom,

a true honest post, and i'm praying also to The Lord to keep me pure.

i'm a taxi driver, drive every friday night, and at day time when necessary.

and the fasion of today is clothes so small, and they do it all for attention at pubs, parties, etc. girls love the attention and boys love to see them dress like that.

and it's somethimes very hard, than i feel the struggle of saying, "Jesus i want You, Jesus i need You, i've got to breakthrough so i can see You" helping me keeping my eyes on Jesus, and deny myself, i have to deny myself in this, otherwise i'll be no different than any other, this always a point of getting conformed to the world or getting renewed in your mind, it's always a choice.

BarlowGirl made a song about today's fasion, they refuse to walk in small clothes, they refuse walking around in clothes that are showing off their body.

**BarlowGirl - Clothes**

*Clothes aren't what they used to be  
They don't seem to fit you and me, anymore  
Modesty is out the door  
Flaunting what we've got and more is in  
Yeah, it's in*

*They're sayin'  
"Don't ask why, just wear what we say  
You'll look like a model if you'll only obey  
To get the attention, just do what we say"*

*Pay so much for clothes so small  
Was this shirt made for me or my doll?  
Is this all I get?  
I looked so hot but caught a cold  
I was doing just what I was told  
To fit in*

*Chorus*

*We're sayin'  
"Let's ask why, don't wear what they say  
Don't want to be a model; they can't eat anyway  
That kind of attention will fade with the day  
So, I'll stand up and say. . .*

*Clothes that fit are fine  
Won't show what's mine  
Don't change my mind  
I'll be fine*

Lord keep our hearts pure!!

p.s.

i've seen BarlowGirl on stage last summer, and they were dressed (very) decent, a beautiful example!

**Re: - posted by Des (), on: 2005/6/25 9:10**

Too bad the ladies from Barlow Girl are unequally yoked to a secular record label. Warner Music Group owns Word Entertainment, the label Barlow Girl is ([http://www.writenews.com/2001/113001\\_warner\\_word.htm](http://www.writenews.com/2001/113001_warner_word.htm)) signed to.

Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellows hip has light with darkness? 2 Corinthians 6:14, ESV

Could I Be Called a Christian? by Steve Camp

Could I be called a Christian  
If everybody knew  
The secret thoughts and feelings  
Of everything I do  
Could they see the likeness  
of Christ in me each day  
Could they hear Him speaking  
In every word I say?

Could I be called a Christian  
If my faith I did not show  
If I do not go to places  
Where the Lord would have me go  
If I do not love His truth  
If I do not guard His trust  
If I cherish more than Jesus  
My greatest hidden lust?

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To obey all He's commanded  
To do all that He said  
To place no confidence in the flesh  
To glory in Christ Jesus  
It's He who justifies  
To find your life you must lose it,  
To live you must first die.  
Let every man examine his own life  
"Could I be called a Christian?"

Could I be called a Christian  
And believe not his holy word  
If I take Him as my Savior  
And refuse Him as my Lord  
If I could not love the outcast  
And not burdened for the lost  
If I fail to deny myself  
And each day take up my cross?

Living In Laodicea,

Des

Christians don't tell lies they just go to church and sing them ~ A.W. Tozer

**Re: Purity in the Summertime!! - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2005/6/25 16:10**

Brother, believe it or not, but I find this thread refreshing! Why? Because it seems so often like we must be the only ones who are disturbed with the nudity one sees in public. Last night I had my fill again when we went to Wal-Mart. And it is not just the young, it is also older women. Sir, I call this visual abuse!!!

My Dh and I want to go on vacation this summer and do some sight-seeing. But where do we go where we will not be bombarded by nudity? I want to relax, and not fight disgust. We cannot go when it gets cool because of our occupation - we grow tomatoes hydroponically and need to be home then to care for our plants. Maybe someone can give me an idea where to go to?

Blessings to you brethren who have this battle and are not giving in...BTW, we older sisters fight another one. So it does not appear that anyone is left without a conflict of some kind on this issue.

One brother mentioned how it is seen in the church. Last week I saw it at a funeral, of all places. Wonder if we need to provide jackets for these who come immodestly dressed. Will likely anger them but is their anger more excusable than others and sisters who want to be pure?

Ginnyrose

**Re: I'm certainly glad that this..., on: 2005/6/27 9:13**

...is being discussed.

Praise God. I'm also glad to see women contributing. Thank you ladies. God bless you real good.

Ginnyrose, let me answer your question first, since it is most recent in my heart. Where do you go on vacation? I know of this wonderful mission group in southern Mexico that you could go and work with them for a week or so. Ever thought about that? My wife and I hope to go next April, if not sooner. It's the ultimate in Christian vacation, the mission field that is. God gives you refreshing and energy along with amazing grace that you would not find on any other vacation. Think about it beloved.

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Now to the subject. There is a "water park" near by that I really love. I love those slides. I do. I just don't tire of them. I've been there twice, but not in recent years. My flesh is just not that strong. Oh and by the way, I'm almost 62, so yes, us old guys are affected.

It should not surprise us that unsaved folks are used as stumbling blocks. But we should not be as christians. That is why I appreciate the input of the ladies. One thing that really cracks me up is for a woman to by a "low cut" in front top. The n everytime they lean forward they put their hand up there to kind of hide themselves. I can't figure this out. So maybe you can help. If they were afraid of somebody "seeing", why wear such stuff?

Wow, yes we do live in a society that is drunk on lust. So we have to go to great lengths to "guard our vessel". The question is, "is it worth it"? I have to think that is most assuredly is. It's also biblical.

Have you ever been outside for example, with an open top drink in your hand and a sudden puff of dust come up? What do you do with your cup of soda? You put your hand over it. Why? You guard your vessel to keep out the dirt.

It's no different in the flesh. Nobody forces us to turn on our tv sets, buy tickets to amusement water parks, movies, and so on. Are these things more important to us than our purity? Too often, they are. It is idolatrous and not pleasing to our God. God hates idolatry.

To me, there is nothing so refreshing as to be used of God in any capacity, especially to help or bless someone who can not possibly bless you back. Try that as an alternative to some choices you've made recently and see if there are not more satisfying things to do with your life in this summer season.

Now God has given me a refuge of sort. lol. My wife and I live and work in a retirement residence. So there is not alot to lust after here. But we do have to get out in the world and go places, especially on our days off. It's almost unavoidable, this spectacle on parade. I just have to keep it to a minimum and pray, pray, pray. Am I always successful? Why did you have to ask that? lol. No, I'm not. Oh God, deliver me from this body of sin. I sure would not want to be blind, but seeing has many pitfalls. If the eye causes us to sin, we are to pluck it out. I'm not recommending that you do that literally, but we must make every effort to keep our vessels pure and our opporutnities for uncontrolable lust to an absolute minimum.

Oh, no, I don't go that water park any more. It is just impossible to keep from lusting. Beaches are a "no-no" too. Just can't handle it. So I try to stay away from the obvious.

Thank God that we even have concern over this. Thank you again Delta for bringing it up. I'm looking forward to reading more comments, especially from the ladies.

Can we talk about the ladies? From the man's perspective? I asked my wife what attracted her to me? She said my voice, and that I made her laugh. Had she given me a list of 50 things on it with these two included, I would never have guessed. This I know, that just because we men are weak in the "visuals" does not mean that women are exempt from temptation. At least we have major source of temptation identified. So how about it ladies, care to "bare all" and show us your weakness instead of just the "outward parts"? lol.

I had better stop before I get into trouble. lol. God bless you all as you live your life to please Him.

In His mercy and grace,

Lahry

**Re: summer vacation suggestion - posted by Compton (), on: 2005/6/27 10:50**

Quote:  
-----My Dh and I want to go on vacation this summer and do some sight-seeing. But where do we go where we will not be bombarded by nudity?... Maybe someone can give me an idea where to go to?  
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(<http://icelandvisitor.com/>) Safe Summer Vacation

8-)

**Re: Putting to death sexual sin - posted by Des (), on: 2005/6/27 15:05**

I was blessed by the Word of God being preached without compromise yesterday. Greg Lundstedt of (<http://www.vancouverbible.org/>) Vancouver Bible Fellowship preached a uncompromising sermon on Colossians 3:5-7,

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them . - Colossians 3:5-7, ESV

Follow these links to be fed the Word of God.

(<http://www.vancouverbible.org/Col3572005.ram>) Real Audio  
(<http://www.vancouverbible.org/Col3572005.mp3>) MP3

Run to the battle,

Des

**Re:, on: 2005/6/27 15:10**

Quote:  
-----Run to the battle  
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Good thought here, if you can be constructive in praying for yourself to be identified with the Lord's death. It does not mean *run to places where you will feel tested!*. 'Flee temptation' is more applicable.

**Re:, on: 2005/6/27 17:07**

Rom 12:9 love be sincere (a real thing); hate what is evil , but hold fast to that which is good.

Do you know what I think of when I read "turn in horror"? I think about the people on the streets of NY running from the falling building and all that smoke and dust storming after them. When we are in even a situation that others could mistake as "compromising", we are to flee as one who is running from horror. Selah!

Lahry

**Re: - posted by ginnnyrose (), on: 2005/6/29 18:20**

Lahry, interesting post you have... and I would like to respond to a few things....

About vacation: actually, the idea has come to my mind about a summer vacation spent in some brief ministry, but it is too late for this year...maybe next year. One thing I am discovering is that we will have to make this a serious matter of prayer for the very reasons I mention.

As a married woman talking I must say I agree with some who will say women dress to attract men for the wrong reasons. We wives like to do things to turn our husbands on, but to take that thing to the public??! Excuse me, but we are not dumb nor judgmental when we cry foul. This is the way it is. Mary Quant, known as the mother of the mini-skirt has been quoted in Newsweek as having said, "mini-cloths are symbolic of those girls who didn't want to wait until dark to seduce a man." And I would guess low necklines would fit in there very nicely.

Many years ago when I was in a grocery store I saw a young girl with a swim suit on. She was up front regaling the male carry-out boys with her body by engaging in provocative twists and turns. The males responded with whistles... Meanwhile the mother was oblivious of her daughters' antics (this was a small town). The girl grew up and I am told all of these sisters were involved in immorality. The parents of these girls were very religious people, involved in ministry. At the moment when I saw this I did not say anything to the mother because I was afraid because she seemed to have it all together so nicely. In other words, she intimidated me. Shame on me!!!

As I see it, when a person realizes he/she has a problem then there is hope for victory. It is nigh impossible to convince a person they have a problem when they refuse to acknowledge it.

If I recall correctly, Larry Christianson said in his book "The Christian Family" that over exposure to human flesh will dull a person's natural response to human flesh (of the opposite sex) and make that person vulnerable to homosexuality. I would guess that is why we have the problems with homosexuality. Men and women have been over exposed to the opposite sex so it has lost its attractiveness so they turn inward towards their own gender. So sad.

Ok, I said my piece...

Ginnyrose

**Re: - posted by deltadom (), on: 2005/6/29 18:59**

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place? 4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. 5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation. 6 This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. F74 Selah.

If we are in god completely hear are all the verses on purity!!!

Ex 25:11 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou overlay it, and shalt make upon it a crown of gold round about.

Ex 25:17 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt make a mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof.

Ex 25:24 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, and make thereto a crown of gold round about.

Ex 25:29 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt make the dishes thereof, and spoons thereof, and covers thereof, and bowls thereof, to cover withal: of pure gold shalt thou make them.

Ex 25:31 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt make a candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same.

Ex 25:36 - Show ContextTheir knops and their branches shall be of the same: all it shall be one beaten work of pure gold.

Ex 25:38 - Show ContextAnd the tongs thereof, and the snuffdishes thereof, shall be of pure gold.

Ex 25:39 - Show ContextOf a talent of pure gold shall he make it, with all these vessels.

Ex 27:20 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt command the children of Israel, that they bring thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamp to burn always.

Ex 28:14 - Show ContextAnd two chains of pure gold at the ends; of wreathen work shalt thou make them, and fasten the wreathen chains to the ouches.

Ex 28:22 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt make upon the breastplate chains at the ends of wreathen work of pure gold.

Ex 28:36 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt make a plate of pure gold, and grave upon it, like the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.

Ex 30:3 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, the top thereof, and the sides thereof round about, and the horns thereof; and thou shalt make unto it a crown of gold round about.

Ex 30:23 - Show ContextTake thou also unto thee principal spices, of pure myrrh five hundred shekels, and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty shekels, and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty shekels,

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Ex 30:34 - Show ContextAnd the LORD said unto Moses, Take unto thee sweet spices, stacte, and onycha, and galbanum; these sweet spices with pure frankincense: of each shall there be a like weight:

Ex 30:35 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt make it a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary, tempered together, pure and holy:

Ex 31:8 - Show ContextAnd the table and his furniture, and the pure candlestick with all his furniture, and the altar of incense,

Ex 37:2 - Show ContextAnd he overlaid it with pure gold within and without, and made a crown of gold to it round about.

Ex 37:6 - Show ContextAnd he made the mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half was the length thereof, and one cubit and a half the breadth thereof.

Ex 37:11 - Show ContextAnd he overlaid it with pure gold, and made thereunto a crown of gold round about.

Ex 37:16 - Show ContextAnd he made the vessels which were upon the table, his dishes, and his spoons, and his bowls, and his covers to cover withal, of pure gold.

Ex 37:17 - Show ContextAnd he made the candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work made he the candlestick; his shaft, and his branch, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, were of the same:

Ex 37:22 - Show ContextTheir knops and their branches were of the same: all of it was one beaten work of pure gold.

Ex 37:23 - Show ContextAnd he made his seven lamps, and his snuffers, and his snuffdishes, of pure gold.

Ex 37:24 - Show ContextOf a talent of pure gold made he it, and all the vessels thereof.

Ex 37:26 - Show ContextAnd he overlaid it with pure gold, both the top of it, and the sides thereof round about, and the horns of it: also he made unto it a crown of gold round about.

Ex 37:29 - Show ContextAnd he made the holy anointing oil, and the pure incense of sweet spices, according to the work of the apothecary.

Ex 39:15 - Show ContextAnd they made upon the breastplate chains at the ends, of wreathen work of pure gold.

Ex 39:25 - Show ContextAnd they made bells of pure gold, and put the bells between the pomegranates upon the hem of the robe, round about between the pomegranates;

Ex 39:30 - Show ContextAnd they made the plate of the holy crown of pure gold, and wrote upon it a writing, like to the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.

Ex 39:37 - Show ContextThe pure candlestick, with the lamps thereof, even with the lamps to be set in order, and all the vessels thereof, and the oil for light,

Le 24:2 - Show ContextCommand the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamps to burn continually.

Le 24:4 - Show ContextHe shall order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before the LORD continually.

Le 24:6 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt set them in two rows, six on a row, upon the pure table before the LORD.

Le 24:7 - Show ContextAnd thou shalt put pure frankincense upon each row, that it may be on the bread for a memorial, even an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

De 32:14 - Show ContextButter of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape.

2Sa 22:27 - Show Context With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself unsavoury.

1Ki 5:11 - Show Context And Solomon gave Hiram twenty thousand measures of wheat for food to his household, and twenty measures of pure oil: thus gave Solomon to Hiram year by year.

1Ki 6:20 - Show Context And the oracle in the forepart was twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in the height thereof: and he overlaid it with pure gold; and so covered the altar which was of cedar.

1Ki 6:21 - Show Context So Solomon overlaid the house within with pure gold: and he made a partition by the chains of gold before the oracle; and he overlaid it with gold.

1Ki 7:49 - Show Context And the candlesticks of pure gold, five on the right side, and five on the left, before the oracle, with the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs of gold,

1Ki 7:50 - Show Context And the bowls, and the snuffers, and the basons, and the spoons, and the censers of pure gold; and the hinges of gold, both for the doors of the inner house, the most holy place, and for the doors of the house, to wit, of the temple.

1Ki 10:21 - Show Context And all king Solomon's drinking vessels were of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold; none were of silver: it was nothing accounted of in the days of Solomon.

1Ch 28:17 - Show Context Also pure gold for the fleshhooks, and the bowls, and the cups: and for the golden basons he gave gold by weight for every bason; and likewise silver by weight for every bason of silver:

2Ch 3:4 - Show Context And the porch that was in the front of the house, the length of it was according to the breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the height was an hundred and twenty: and he overlaid it within with pure gold.

2Ch 4:20 - Show Context Moreover the candlesticks with their lamps, that they should burn after the manner before the oracle, of pure gold;

2Ch 4:22 - Show Context And the snuffers, and the basons, and the spoons, and the censers, of pure gold: and the entry of the house, the inner doors thereof for the most holy place, and the doors of the house of the temple, were of gold.

2Ch 9:17 - Show Context Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with pure gold.

2Ch 9:20 - Show Context And all the drinking vessels of king Solomon were of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold: none were of silver; it was not any thing accounted of in the days of Solomon.

2Ch 13:11 - Show Context And they burn unto the LORD every morning and every evening burnt sacrifices and sweet incense: the shewbread also set they in order upon the pure table; and the candlestick of gold with the lamps thereof, to burn every evening: for we keep the charge of the LORD our God; but ye have forsaken him.

Ezr 6:20 - Show Context For the priests and the Levites were purified together, all of them were pure, and killed the passover for all the children of the captivity, and for their brethren the priests, and for themselves.

Job 4:17 - Show Context Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his maker?

Job 8:6 - Show Context If thou wert pure and upright; surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.

Job 11:4 - Show Context For thou hast said, My doctrine is pure, and I am clean in thine eyes.

Job 16:17 - Show Context Not for any injustice in mine hands: also my prayer is pure.

Job 25:5 - Show Context Behold even to the moon, and it shineth not; yea, the stars are not pure in his sight.

Job 28:19 - Show Context The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.

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Ps 12:6 - Show ContextThe words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times

Ps 18:26 - Show ContextWith the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself froward.

Ps 19:8 - Show ContextThe statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

Ps 21:3 - Show ContextFor thou preventest him with the blessings of goodness: thou settest a crown of pure gold on his head.

Ps 24:4 - Show ContextHe that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

Ps 119:140 - Show ContextThy word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.

Pr 15:26 - Show ContextThe thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the LORD: but the words of the pure are pleasant words.

Pr 20:9 - Show ContextWho can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?

Pr 20:11 - Show ContextEven a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right.

Pr 21:8 - Show ContextThe way of man is froward and strange: but as for the pure, his work is right.

Pr 30:5 - Show ContextEvery word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

Pr 30:12 - Show ContextThere is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness.

Da 7:9 - Show ContextI beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.

Mic 6:11 - Show ContextShall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

Zep 3:9 - Show ContextFor then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.

Mal 1:11 - Show ContextFor from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts.

Mt 5:8 - Show ContextBlessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Ac 20:26 - Show ContextWherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men.

Ro 14:20 - Show ContextFor meat destroy not the work of God. All things indeed are pure; but it is evil for that man who eateth with offence.

Php 4:8 - Show ContextFinally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

1Ti 1:5 - Show ContextNow the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned:

1Ti 3:9 - Show ContextHolding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.

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1Ti 5:22 - Show ContextLay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself pure.

2Ti 1:3 - Show ContextI thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day;

2Ti 2:22 - Show ContextFlee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

Tit 1:15 - Show ContextUnto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

Heb 10:22 - Show ContextLet us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

Jas 1:27 - Show ContextPure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

Jas 3:17 - Show ContextBut the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

1Pe 1:22 - Show ContextSeeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:

2Pe 3:1 - Show ContextThis second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

1Jo 3:3 - Show ContextAnd every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

Re 15:6 - Show ContextAnd the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.

Re 21:18 - Show ContextAnd the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.

Re 21:21 - Show ContextAnd the twelve gates were twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

Re 22:1 - Show ContextAnd he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

I think if it is wise to not act impurely yet I also think that if we are in god we can stay pure no matter how terrible . I am not saying that we ought to run into places which would heighten are senses but in being wise in this society what is going to be the product of this culture how bad is it going to get. I always like the verse to him

tit 1:15

Tit 1:15 - Show ContextUnto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

I am hoping that i will come into such a commune with god that this verse will be true in my life!!! I am so grateful to hear a issue that I struggle with so much!!! every single day !!! I need to read my bible more there is a verse in john about the word of god making you clean and confessing your sin to one another !! I not only need to confess my sin but my past sin aswell!!!

Pray for that that I will be completely accountable before god and man!! I so want to be!! I want to find someone to share my heart with on this issue!! because it is getting worse in are culture!! god is love and love is not god, c s lewis quotes if love becomes a demon it becomes a god, I also think it is better to love than be in selfishness and pride!! i think his pure love would conquer all pride and lust!!

I am just need his guidance!!!

**Re: How many people have worked on building sites - posted by deltadom (), on: 2005/7/7 18:05**

do people on building sites get in worse than everyone else!!!

**Re: - posted by dohzman (), on: 2005/7/7 22:02**

Good illustration Bro! :-)

**Re: - posted by ravin, on: 2005/7/7 23:34**

"I will make you fishers of men."

we must pray for those who are without the Good news of the gospel

Its funny when you think of it that Adam and Eve were nude in the garden, and walk with god in the cool of the day. then they sinned and he(God) covered them.

he is not going to take us out of the world, but bring us thru the world

Thank you Jesus

**Re: It is this season again - posted by deltadom (), on: 2006/4/23 14:28**

This is the time of year when we all face temptations beyond our wildest dreams as the world get worse , I and others so need prayer to be pure and have my mind on him and to be clensed

**Re: Modesty - to the ladies, on: 2006/4/23 20:18**

Oh wow, I just read this thread for the first time and I want to tell all the ladies on this site to consider this thread. Oh please, read it and then go before the Lord on this matter.

I have been thinking about the issue of modesty as Christian women and have just gone through an **excellent** series on it by Nancy Leigh DeMoss. Ladies, I highly, highly recommend that series from her. Those CDs were some of the best I have heard on the issue. And Nancy has such a heart for God...as everyone knows who listens to her on the radio.

Anyway, I know it's not the easy road, girls, to dress in a way that will not cause our brothers to stumble in the way they are talking about. But is it worth it to indulge in our pleasure and comfort when it makes another fumble and even fall?

My heart has been heavy about this matter. I have been in some churches over the last few days and seen some really sad things in the way women (girls especially) dress. I want to shield my own two brothers and dad from that defrauding . And I want every Christian man to be shielded from that temptation also. And I want our witness as women to be such as brings glory to our Lord. We are part of the Bride of Christ...are we dressing that way?

Guys, you've got my sympathy and prayers. Thanks for your honesty. Most women have absolutely NO idea what you struggle with. Keep your eyes on Jesus and keep running the race He has give you to run (Hebrews 12:1-3).

Your sister in Christ,

Joy

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**Re:, on: 2006/4/24 3:48**

We work out our own salvation but it is GOD WHO WORKS IN YOU. It's a joint fellowship/cooperation thing.

You're never left to yourself to fight the flesh.

To be "tempted" is not sin, and as Dohzman well said, a bird can land on your head but we invite the nest making there.

Job said:Job 31:1 I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid?

That's your part of the deal ... DON'T LOOK.

It was David's second or prolonged look, that got him in trouble with Bethsheba.

You can be guaranteed, that things will only get worse and worse, until Jesus Returns, so this is good boot camp in faith now.

We conquer sin by FAITH.

Faith that HE has His Hand on us, Faith that He will never allow us to be tempted beyond what we are able to bear and will give a way of escape and that He is an ever present help in the time of trouble and that the good work that HE

began in you He will bring to completion. ETC..

Now if you try to combat this thing alone - without the Faith in all that He's promised to us His children .... it will only be like trying to hold a beach ball under water. Eventually you will tire or it will slip.

But if you make that covenant with God about what you look at ... He honors that and each time to side for HIM, His Faith is strengthened in you.

We need not hide in the hills come summer time ... but just pray without ceasing, asking God to direct where we go and what we do on our computers and if you can, knock off the TV.

Garbage in - garbage out, they say ... but Jesus said, if we sow to the flesh - that's what we'll reap from. But if we sow to the Spirit, then we'll certainly reap from the Spirit.

I can stay on the Computer for up to 16 hours just reading good Christian stuff and have never yet even accidently run across anything bad.

T.V. has commercials, despite even if it's just the News.

If we do our part, He does more.

In my old Church, they used to say "You take one step - He takes two" ... where it comes to sanctification.

I'd advise reading Hebrews 11 to understand all the more how FAITH is what this whole walk is about.

And these two verses that follow.

Heb 12:1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,  
Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

It's impossible to be "Looking unto Jesus" and be looking elsewhere at the same time. :-)

There are tons of faith building verses, that speak of "HIS WORK" IN US ... that makes you realize you're not alone to do this ... but must lean in faith in those promises of His provisions toward making us what He planned for us to be from the foundations.

When Peter almost went under the water, attempting to walk toward the Lord, he cried out "Lord help" ... and it says and "Immediately" Jesus reached out his hand to Peter to pull him out.

If all you can do is yell out in each situation "Lord Jesus Help Me !" ... and mean it with all the faith and heart you have ... just watch HIM MOVE. :-D Been there-Done that !

HE is faithful. Believe that HE is making all of us stronger for the days ahead ... because HE is ... if we'll just trust HIM and HIS Word. :-)

**Re: Growing into God-centeredness - posted by roadsign (), on: 2006/4/24 9:11**

Quote:  
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When Peter almost went under the water, attempting to walk toward the Lord, he cried out "Lord help" ... and it says and "Immediately" Jesus reached out his hand to Peter to pull him ..  
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This is a good illustration to use. I just heard a sermon by Earnest O'neill about various issues of temptation. He used three examples: A girl in a bikini, an approaching funnel cloud, and a call to dinner.

All of these things are part of God's creation: The girl is someone's precious daughter, a dear person whom God love

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s. The funnel cloud is God's creation gone wacky, but yet it under God's control. The food is also of God. Yet all these things can become bigger than God in our minds, and so we respond in sinful ways – desire, fear, distraction, or whatever.

Neill goes on to point out: When a man looks at a woman in a bikini and only thinks about a satisfaction HE can gain, or when we look at a funnel cloud and only think of the potential danger it is to us, or when food is brought to our mind, and we can only think of the gratification it gives us, then we are ME-centered, and not God-centered. The challenge is to let God work in us to bring all these into subjection to the Spirit.

Then we start to have a heart for that girl – she becomes more than a desirable object, she has an eternal soul, she needs the Lord, he died for her. We think about HER needs, not our issues.

Then the funnel cloud doesn't throw us into a panic, because we trust that God is BIGGER than it. We trust God himself to guide us to safety.

Then food doesn't master us, but we master it, and use it, not to gratify our cravings, but to sustain us for God's glory.

Trying to conquer temptation can become a constant self-focused endeavour. We will remain in defeat as long as we are centered on OURSELVES:

Quote:

----- it will only be like trying to hold a beach ball under water. Eventually you will tire or it will slip.  
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Diane

**Re: flee - posted by roadsign (), on: 2006/4/24 10:14**

I feel I need to add a balancing thought to my last post:

While we cannot prevent all tempting situations that suddenly come at us, we are indeed called to flee the places/situations of perpetual sin:

“... flee from idolatry” (1 Corinthians 10:14)

“Flee fornication” (1 Corinthians 6:18)

“... flee these things ...” (1 Timothy 6:11) (love of money and worldly pursuits, and “disputes of words” (6:4)

“Flee also youthful lusts ...” (2 Timothy 2:22)

Not only are we to flee, Jesus also calls us to radically cut off something within ourselves that causes us to stumble: cut off your hand, eye, etc. So, while we may try to make rules for everyone to dress sensibly, or we may avoid the beaches, we still must take responsibility for our own lusts – radical crucifixion. And that takes me back to what was said earlier – be conformed to Christ.

Diane

**Re: - posted by deltadom (), on: 2006/5/30 17:02**

It is the time of season especially at this time when it seems to get worse and worse.

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- Study This Chapter

1 The earth is the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. 2 For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place? 4 He that hath clean hands, and a

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pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. 5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation. 6 This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. F74 Selah.

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. 8 Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle. 9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. 10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

I need prayer for purity and anger and hypocrisy. In this culture things are getting worse and worse and I believe that a sinless life is possible.

This is a hard subject

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