# Weekly Morning Meditations The Purpose of Holiness

## Monday - BE 'CLEAN'

Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean (HEB - be bright, pure), and change your garments: Genesis 35:2 [KJV]

CLEAN free from dirt, contamination, or

impurities; unsoiled, unstained

WASH to cleanse by means of water or other liquid, as by dipping, tumbling, or

scrubbing, often with soap, a detergent,

etc.

32 references in Scripture to the phrase 'BE CLEAN'

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR CLEANLINESS

- 1. **PURE WATER** {THE WORD} (Prov 30:5, Eph 5:26)
- 2. **A STRONG DETERGENT** {THE BLOOD} (1 Peter 1:2; Rev. 7:14)
- 3. A GOOD SCRUBBING {TRIBULATION} (Deut 8:4, Job 23:10, 2 Tim 3:12)

#### SPIRITUAL INSIGHTS

- DIFFERENT CLOTHES are washed in DIFFERENT TEMPERATURES
- no CLOTHES get clean without a little AGITATION
- SPOTS are shown easier in WHITE CLOTHES
- some SPOTS need SPECIAL TREATING
- a CLEAN 'OUTSIDE' cannot hide a DIRTY 'INSIDE'

But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold. Job 23:10 [KJV]

Purge me with hyssop, and *I shall be clean*: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Psalm 51:7 [KJV]

Thou blind Pharisee, *cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter*, that the outside of them may be clean also. Matthew 23:26 [KJV]

## Wednesday - LIVE 'CLEAN'

Be silent, O all flesh, before the Lord: for he is raised up out of his holy habitation (HEB-abode). Zech. 2:13 [KJV]

LIVE to practice or carry out in one's life

#### A SPIRITUAL FACT

· a HOLY GOD LIVES IN A HOLY 'HOUSE'

#### A SPIRITUAL TRUTH

 YOUR PHYSICAL HOUSE IS A REFLECTION OF YOUR SPIRITUAL HOUSE

#### THE QUESTION FOR TODAY

• What does your 'HOUSE' say about YOU?

#### THE SOLUTION

· CLEAN your 'HOUSE'

#### THE INGREDIENTS TO A CLEAN HOUSE

- live HONESTLY (keeps CONSCIENCE clean)
- live JUSTLY (keeps RELATIONSHIPS clean)
- live TRUE (keeps SPEECH clean)
- live RESPONSIBLY (keeps EXPECTATIONS clean)
- live FAITHFULLY (keeps VOWS clean)

Then the Levitical priests stood and blessed the people, and God heard them from his holy dwelling in heaven. 2 Chron. 30:27 [NLT]

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? Psalm 24:3 [KJV]

For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. Isaiah 57:15 [KJV]

## Friday - THINK 'CLEAN'

Finally, 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 (GK - take an inventory) on these things. Philip. 4:8 [KJV]

#### A PHYSIOLOGIAL TRUTH

your sensory inputs are the GAS that runs the ENGINE of thought

#### IN OTHER WORDS

- you SEE what you THINK
- you HEAR what you THINK
- · you SMELL what you THINK
- · you TASTE what you THINK
- · you TOUCH what you THINK

# WHAT 'GAS' DO YOU USE IN YOUR 'THINK TANK'?

- the POLITICS of MAN or the PROMISE OF GOD
- the FASHIONS of MAN or FAITH IN GOD
- the ACTIONS of MEN or the AUTHORITY OF GOD

#### THE SOLUTION - THINK ON THESE THINGS

- TRUE (faithful, loyal, constant, reliable, certain)
- HONEST (honorable, creditable, trustworthy, truthful)
- JUST (right or fair; equitable; impartial)
- PURE (free from anything that taints, impairs, infects)
- LOVELY (beautiful, exquisite, attractive, gracious)
- GOOD REPORT (reputable, well spoken of)

#### THINK ABOUT IT

This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope. It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him. The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him. Lament. 3:21-25 [KJV]