

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 11/2/08

BIBLE PASSAGE: [1 John 2:28-3:9](#)

TITLE: “UNDERSTANDING & EMBRACING PURITY”

INTRO:

1. Much is said about purity in the Bible/two levels:
 - a. Sanitary-procedures to prohibit _____.
 - b. Spiritual-laws and commands relating to physical purity...
2. New Testament content on the subject of _____ is addressed to believers.
3. Purity is not out of style/still needed today and _____ by God.

PROPOSITION: You ought to live in purity before God.
First salvation, then sanctification...

I. THE ESSENCE OF PURITY.

A. God Is Holy And Pure.

1. Holy and pure are synonym's in Scripture, [Matthew 17:1-6](#).
2. [Exodus 15:11](#); [Psalm 99:9](#); [Isaiah 6:1-7](#); & [Revelation 15:4](#).

B. Consider The Words Used To Describe The Concepts Of Holiness And Purity.

1. God is _____ holy and pure in essence and character, [Luke 1:67-75](#).

2. The Greek words translated holy imply the perfection of God and the _____ of the believer to match up.
3. The Greek words translated pure picture outward purity which _____ from inward holiness.

II. THE EXHORTATION TO PURITY, [1 John 2:28-3:9](#).

B. Be Pure In Soul And Spirit (Mind).

1. [Isaiah 1:18-20](#), Are _____ washed in the blood of Christ?
2. [1 John 3:1-3](#), PURSUE HOLINESS!
3. [Hebrews 12:12-17](#), PURSUE HOLINESS!
4. [II Timothy 2:15-22](#), PURSUE HOLINESS!
5. [Titus 1:15, 16](#)-Internal _____ will manifest outwardly!

C. Be Pure In Your Body.

1. [Galatians 5:19-21](#)/BEWARE!
2. [Psalms 24:3-5](#), Clean _____/pure heart.
3. [Proverbs 21:7 & 8](#), Which will you choose?
4. [Matthew 5:3-10](#), The Beatitudes.
5. [I Timothy 4:12 & 5:22](#).
6. [II Corinthians 6:3-7](#).
7. [Philippians 4:8, 9](#).

CONCLUSION:

1. Are you sure of a home in heaven?
2. Is purity important to you?