

Cleanliness is Next to Godliness



People love to get on Facebook and social media and air their dirty laundry for the world to see—dirty laundry about their relationships, their jobs, and just about anything else you can think of.

The pastor is probably wondering why I'm talking about dirty laundry. {Pastor: Yep!}

When I was a kid, I used to hear people say, "Don't leave the house without clean underwear. You might be in a car wreck and wind up in the hospital, and you don't want the doctors to see you in dirty underwear."

I'm pretty sure that someone's underwear is not at the top of the list of things that doctors have seen at the hospital.

With social media, people have forgotten that you shouldn't leave the house without putting on clean underwear.

Although "Cleanliness is Next to Godliness" is not in the Bible, being pure and holy is.

In the New Testament, the Greek word for Purity is Hagneia (hag ni ah), which means to be pure, clean, and have integrity. Pure individuals are incorruptible and uncompromising in their moral and ethical values.

Similar words are Honesty, Uprightness, Honorable, Good Character, Righteousness, Morality, Virtue, Fairness, Truthfulness, Trustworthiness, Undivided, and Uncompromising.

James 3:17 (KJV): But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

Before we leave the house, we need to clean our spiritually dirty laundry. We need to make sure that we are living pure and holy lives in line with God's Word.

Just like we wouldn't want a doctor to see us in dirty underwear, we shouldn't want God to see us living in sin and impurity. It is important for us to constantly strive towards purity and holiness in our thoughts, words, and actions.

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- **James 3:17 (KJV):** But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. Let wisdom guide us in purity and kindness today. ☀️ #Cleanliness #Godliness
- Practicing purity is key in aligning ourselves with the teachings of Christ. Let's strive to live with integrity and good character every day. 🙏 #Integrity #SpiritualGrowth
- Just as we cleanse our physical space, let's remember to maintain purity in our hearts and minds. 🧠 #PositiveLiving #Faith
- **Matthew 5:8 (KJV):** Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Keep your heart clean and your spirit will follow. ❤️ #PureHeart #FaithfulLiving
- Embrace the spiritual dimension of cleanliness and live a life reflecting purity, honesty, and good character. 😊 #Purity #ChristianValues