

“GOD IS PURE” DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

Our prayer this week focuses on God Who is “*Pure*”. He is the only One Who is without blemish or fault; Holy, Sinless and Perfect.

It comes from our Prayer Verse: Psalm 51:10 "Create in me a *pure* heart, O God, and renew a [right, persevering, and steadfast] spirit within me."

Our encouragement from this verse is that God alone is *Pure* and can create that *pure* heart that each one of us so desperately needs. This Psalm was written approximately one year after King David had committed adultery with Bathsheba and murdered her husband. God had been dealing with David's heart about his sin and even sent Nathan the prophet to speak truth into his unclean heart. After a long time of thinking he was justified in what he did because he was king, David finally faced the truth. He recognized that he not only sinned against man, but most importantly he sinned against his Creator, a most Holy and *Pure* God, One Who is without sin, faultless and *pure in all His ways*. David humbled his heart before Him and cried out to Him for mercy and forgiveness and God graciously gave it to him. David was known as a "man after God's own heart" and in many respects, it was because when he was confronted with his sins, he was truly repentant and humbly asked God to create in him a *pure* heart so he could be back in union with Him. God shares this story with us to remind us that it is only when we fully acknowledge our sin, facing the truth of how much it offends His *pure* character, are we able to truly humble our hearts as David did and truly repent from our deepest core. When we do this, God's *Pure* Spirit immediately refreshes our souls with forgiveness, hope, joy and love as He did for David. God's desire for truth in our "inner being" is so that He can refresh our souls so we can be connected back to Him where we were always intended to be. Imagine, our God Who is *Pure*, Faultless, Holy, Sinless, and Perfect desires to be with us and create a *pure* heart within us. None but He can do this. Our hearts are the rudders of our souls and God takes them in His hands and steers them into the path of His righteous, persevering and steadfast ways. Let us pray that the Lord will tenderize our hearts through His Word and His godly people so we may humble our hearts before Him and let Him do a miraculous work and create a *pure* heart and a right spirit within each one of us. Let us pray that just as David sought this sweet relationship with his Heavenly Father, we will too and the Father will listen and create a clean and *pure* heart within us, renewing a right spirit within us as only He can. Let us pray:

"Dear Heavenly Father, we humbly bow before Your throne in our hearts in unity and praise You for being *Pure*! We ask that You will create in me and...

(names of those you are praying for)

a *pure* heart and renew a right, persevering and steadfast spirit within us. Lord, we believe You desire to do this for us for it is in Your Word. May we recognize our need for You and humble our hearts before your mighty throne. May our hope be in You all day long. Thank-you for loving us with an everlasting love and may it all be for the glory of Your name. In Your loving Son's name, Jesus, we pray, Amen.”.