

“Cleansing for Righteousness” – Sermon Notes

Jan. 28, 2024

1 John 2:28-3:9 – series: Joy Complete

God’s Antidote to Our Sinfulness:

1. Sin is R_____. (v4)
2. God’s children are to be like H_____. (v7)
3. God offers our hearts C_____. (v3)

A. Seek God’s cleansing by P_____ for it.

B. Keep our G_____ on Jesus.

“And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord’s glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.” (2 Corinthians 3:18)

Sunday Seconds: “Cleansing for Righteousness” (for small group discussion or personal reflection)

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1. Name a time when you were hurt by someone’s sin (without saying their name to the group).
2. Why is it so hard to live without sinning?
3. Do you remember the first sin you committed? What did you feel? How did you respond?
4. What did forgiveness feel the first time you remember it?
5. The passage talks about God dealing with our sins (forgiveness) and with our sin (sanctification). Do you believe God offers both antidotes to everyone?
6. Just as in chapter 1, John is encouraging his congregation to have their past sins forgiven and urging them to live a new life. What does the Christian life look like in terms of sin?
7. One thing God promised through the coming of the Messiah was a changed heart. Read Jeremiah 31:31-34. What do you see as part of this promise?
8. Slowly read through 2 Corinthians 3:18. What does it mean for you to gaze at Jesus?

➔ This week, pray for each other in their walk with Christ.