

## Pure: Speech, Life, Love, Faith

**Isaiah 6:2** " \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."

**Guilt says** \_\_\_\_\_

**Shame says** \_\_\_\_\_

**Genesis 3:7** Then the eyes of both of them opened, and they knew they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

3:8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God moving about in the orchard at the breezy time of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the orchard. 3:9 But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" 3:10 The man replied, "I heard you moving about in the orchard, and I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid." 3:11 And the Lord God said, "Who told you that you were naked? Did you eat from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" 3:12 The man said, "The woman whom you gave me, she gave me some fruit from the tree and I ate it." 3:13 So the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" And the woman replied, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."

**James 1:27** Pure religion ... is *to keep oneself unstained by the world.*

James 2:10 Just one sin pollutes us

James 3:5-11 words

James 3:17-18 God's wisdom is pure

James 4:11 on venting

James 4:17 So whoever knows what is good to do and does not do it is guilty of sin.

James 5:16 confess your sins to each other and pray for each other

### Accountability

Nobody is as happy as he seems \_\_\_\_\_. And no one is as "spiritual" as he seems in what we deem as "spiritual" enough for Christian worship. Maybe what we need in our churches is more tears, more failure, more confession of sin, more prayers of desperation that are too deep for words. -Russell D Moore

No one can develop freely in this world and find a full life without feeling understood by at least one person...She who would see herself clearly must open up to a confidant freely chosen and worthy of such trust. -Dr. Paul Tournier

2 Tim 2:22 But keep away from youthful passions, and pursue righteousness, faithfulness, love, and peace, \_\_\_\_\_ with others who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

### Love

**Luke 9:23** deny self and follow me.

**1 Corinthians 6:19** You are not your own;...Therefore honor God with your body.

**1 John 1:9** But if we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous, forgiving us our sins and cleansing us from all unrighteousness. NET

**Ps. 32:5** Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD"-- and you forgave the \_\_\_\_\_ of my sin. NIV

**Matthew 5:8** "Blessed are the are pure in heart: for they shall see \_\_\_\_\_"

Music by Ginny Owens, Call Me Beautiful, Video slides provided by lots of great photographers on Flickr! Stories brought to you by my real life friends.

## Pure: Speech, Life, Love, Faith

### **Resources**

*Sex and the Soul of a Woman* by Paula Rinehart  
*Seven Secrets to Sexual Purity*, Dannah Gresh  
*Lies Women Believe* by Nancy Leigh DeMoss  
*Lies Young Women Believe*, by DeMoss and Gresh  
Net Nanny, supports loads of devices, less than \$40 per year.

### **How to beat your addictions in 12 hard steps**

1. Admit that your problem is unmanageable
2. Believe that God can restore you
3. Decide to turn it over to God
4. Make a fearless and searching moral inventory of yourself
5. Admitted to God, to ourselves and to another human being the exact nature of our sin pattern. Get a mentor/cheerleader/champion
6. Be ready for God to remove your problem. Accept the grace that is freely yours
7. Humbly ask God to remove our shortcomings and areas of weakness. Plan for a bad day. When you mess up, start over.
8. Make a list of all the persons you have harmed and be ready to make amends
9. Make direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others
10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it
11. Seek through prayer and meditation on God's Word to improve our relationship with God, praying only for knowledge of God's will for us and the power to carry that out
12. Help someone else do the same

### **Emotions**

#### **RECOGNIZE**

*YOUR EMOTIONS*

*ASK God to show you what emotions you are feeling.*

#### **EXPRESS**

*YOUR EMOTIONS TO GOD*

*He already knows them.*

*I'm so mad I could.....*

#### **EVALUATE**

*YOUR EMOTIONS IN LIGHT OF GOD'S WORD*

*Are my emotions in charge?*

*What do they reflect about my beliefs?*

#### **DECIDE**

*TO REPLACE YOUR THINKING AND BEHAVIOR*

*WITH GOD'S TRUTH*

### **EMOTIONS ARE MESSENGERS**

*Emotions are messengers of internal beliefs about God, self and others. Emotions remind us of our need to relate to God and see life from His perspective.*

### **EMOTIONS ARE MESSY**

*When they seem more true than God's Word. Emotions are messy when they become the final authority in our life, controlling our beliefs and behavior.*

### **EMOTIONS ARE MANGEABLE**

*The REED process is continuous and life-long. For our emotions to be manageable we must relate to God and allow Him to renew our minds with Truth.*

*1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your cares upon Him, for He cares for you.*

## Pure: Speech, Life, Love, Faith

Just like Eve, I

1. believed the lie that

---

---

---

2. I chose to sin when I

---

---

---

3. I covered it up by

---

---

---

4. My actions are disgusting to the holy, pure, and eternally perfect God of the universe. I am completely without a remedy to this terrible eternal situation. *“Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD”-- and you forgave the guilt of my sin.”* Psalm 32:5 NIV

---

---

---

5. Then God makes a plan to rescue me from all my failing and planning and sinning. He punished His perfect son Jesus. I’m the rotten vile pretender and Jesus is the pure and perfect son of God. And it’s not a little “time-out” kind of punishment. It was a horrible torturous death in public. And what’s even more astounding is that Jesus *agreed* to this plan, Jesus went through with it, and through some supernatural math that doesn’t make sense on paper when God looks at all my sin and all the punishment I deserve He adds it up and instead of giving me what I deserve, he looks at Jesus and says. “That death you died Jesus, that can count for her punishment if... ***if*** she will just do one thing. She just has to believe that this happened. That You did it for her and her messed up little life. If she’ll agree to that, then I’ll agree to let her have her innocence back and to bring her into this sweet new shiny relationship with me. I created her after all. I like her, and I want to spend time with her and to help her with every little decision in life.” See more in *1 John chapter 5*.

---

---

---

6. If you believe this, you don’t have to do anything else to be reconciled to God. Your relationship with Him is completely cleared up now. Tell Him how this makes you feel.

---

---

---