

For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to SALVATION WITHOUT REGRET,





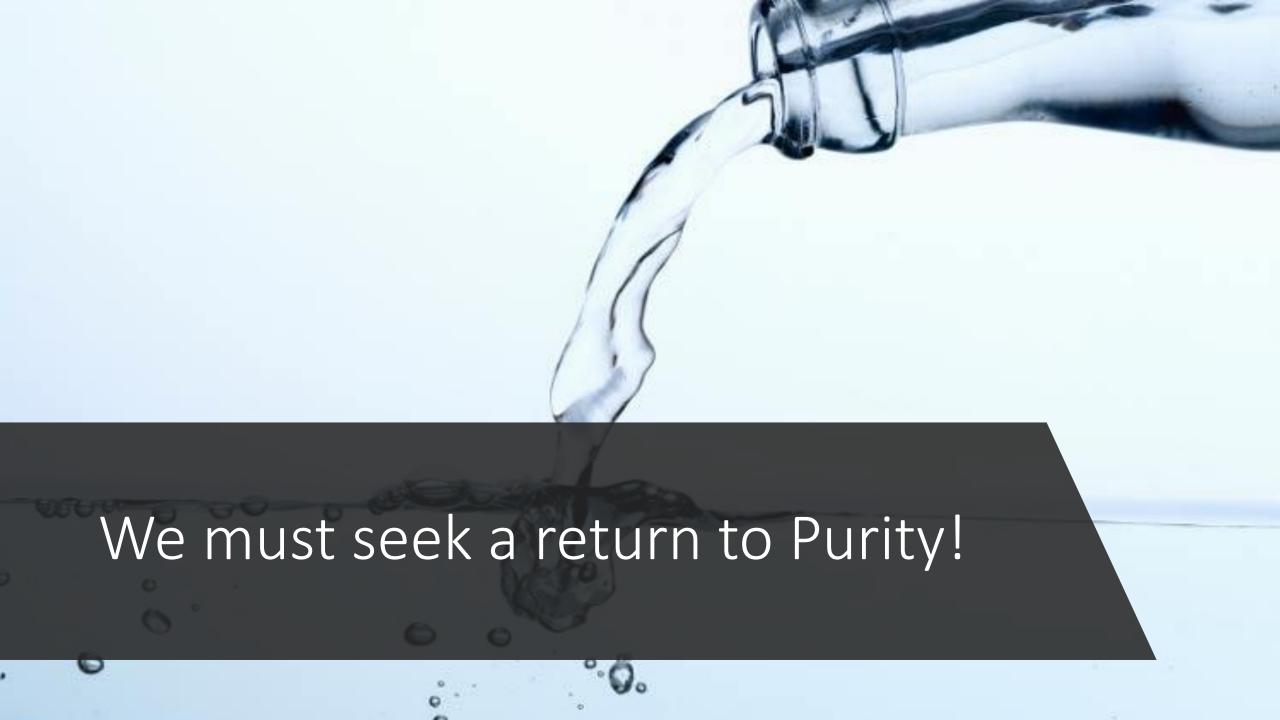
whereas worldly grief PRODUCES DEATH.





2 CORINTHIANS 7:10





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We must seek a return to purity in thought!



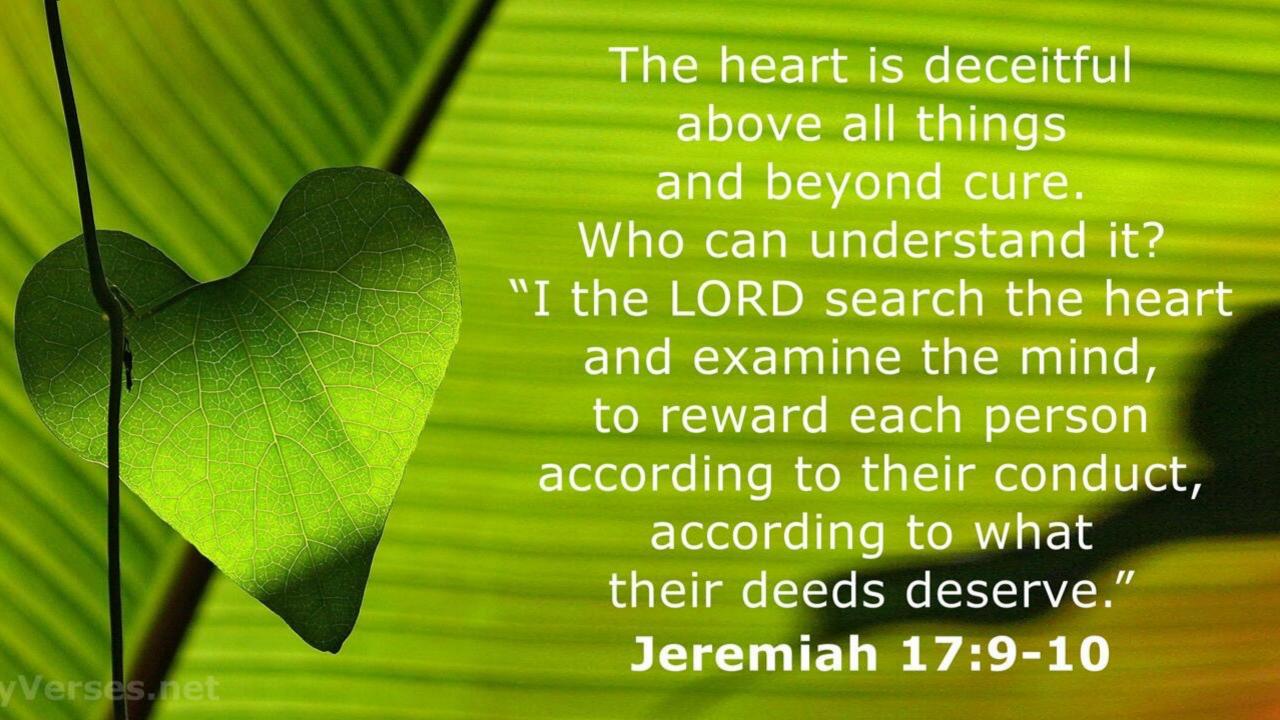
The Biblical Account

The Cause:

The Wickedness of man

Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And the LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.

Genesis 6:5-6



Matthew 15:18

But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.



If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. (Colossians 3:1-2 ESV)



Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise,

THINK ABOUT THINGS. PHILIPPIANS 4:8



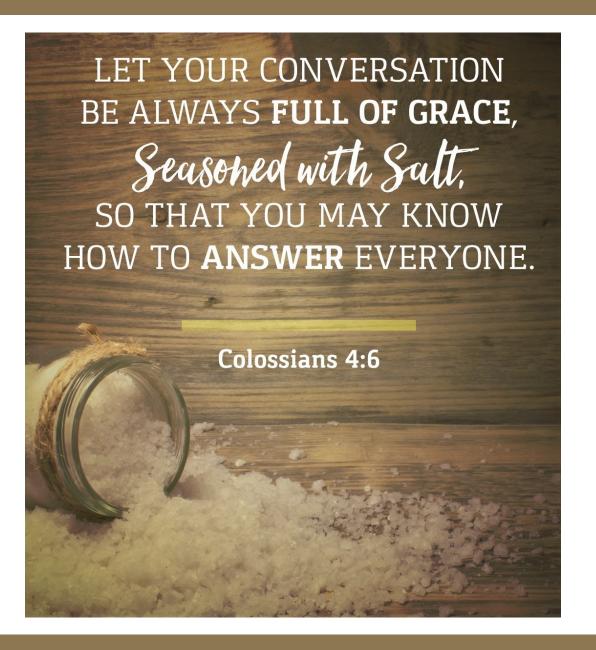
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- We must seek a return to purity in thought!
- We must seek a return to purity <u>in</u>
 <u>speech</u>!

Put off (or put to death) in your everyday life

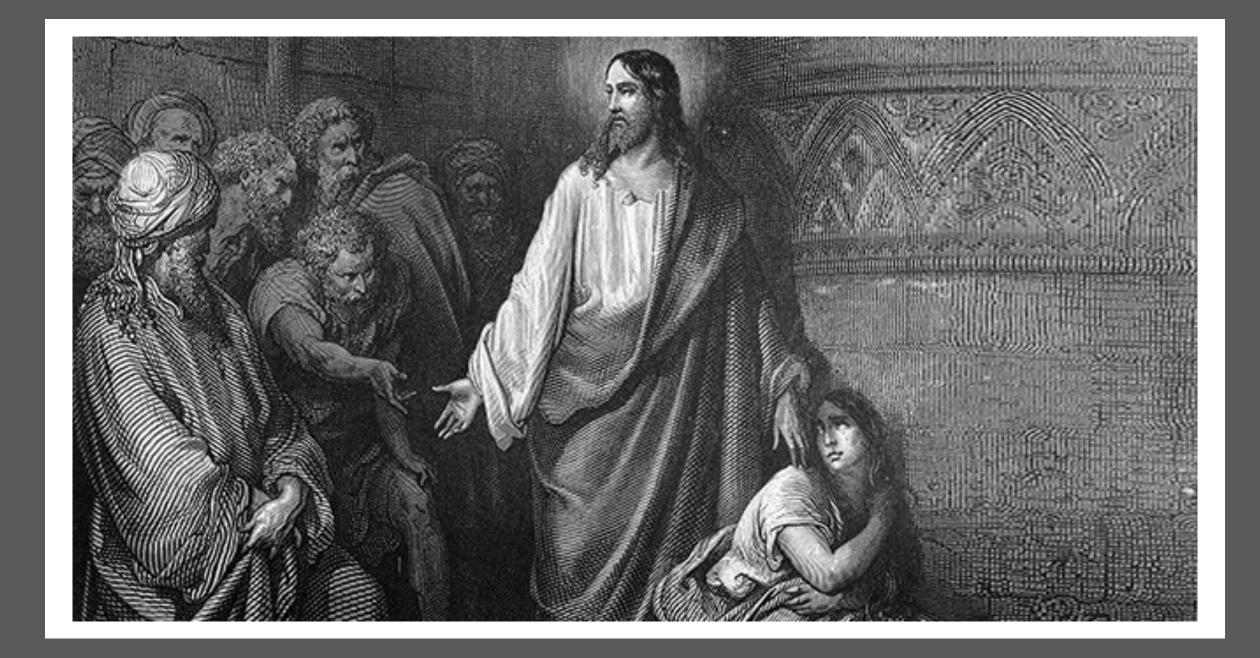
Colossians 3:7-10

In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.



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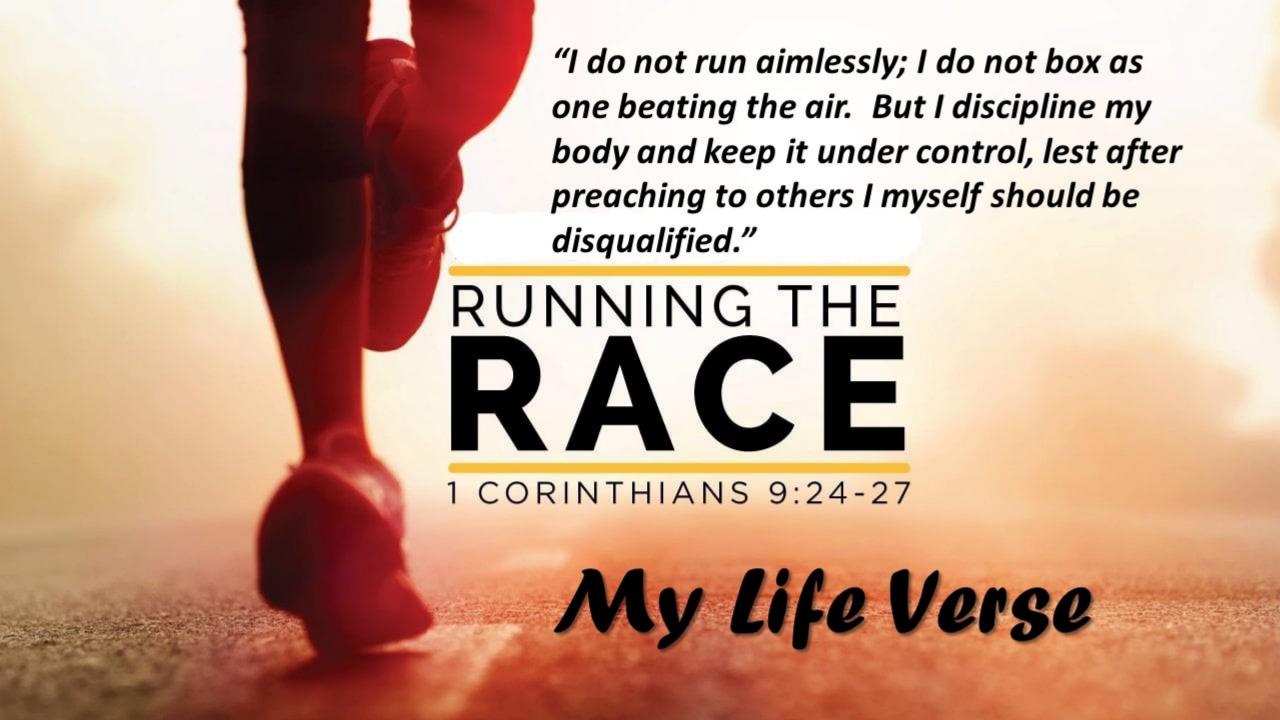


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JOHN 8:11

Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "See, you are well!

that nothing worse
may happen to you."



James 4:6-10 (ESV)

But He gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will exalt you.





Have you had your life purified in the blood of Jesus Christ?

And now what are you waiting for?
Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away,
calling on his name.

Acts 22:16

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