

Every Word of God is Pure

By Jack McNiel

Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. (Proverbs 30:5 KJV)

How do you know that gold is pure? Before modern metallurgy, the ancients would simply melt it in a crucible and see how much base metal floats to the top. The gold, being very dense would be on the bottom and the baser metal would float on top. If the sample had a high percentage of base metal, then the gold is not pure. To further purify it, the baser metals are skimmed off leaving the pure gold behind. The Hebrew word translated "pure" means, "to smelt refine or test." (Brown-Driver-Briggs Hebrew Definitions). The American Standard Version translated it, "Every word of God is tried." To try a metal also confirms its authenticity. The idea here is that every word of God is authentic – it comes to us from the Creator of the universe. Every word of God is inspired. Not some of the words. Not even most of the words. Every one of the Words of the Bible are authentic words from God!

God is a shield to those who show their trust in Him by fleeing to and taking refuge in Him. Inherent in the idea of trust expressed here is the confidence that He will provide refuge and shield those who are His from all spiritual harm. How does He accomplish this? One way is through His divine providence in making a way to escape the temptations that are common to man. Another He shields those who put their trust in Him is through His Word. The word of God in our hearts, in our minds and on our tongues will shield us from many forms of temptation. The Psalms writer said, "Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against thee." Paul encourages Christians to take the shield of faith and with it to quench the fiery darts of the wicked. For us to have faith in God and thereby place our trust in him we need His pure word, because faith comes by hearing the word of God.

Read: Psalms 119:11; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Ephesians 6:10-18; Romans 10:17

Things you should know about!

We would like to send donations to the Disaster Relief Fund quarterly. If you want to contribute, mark it as "DRF" or give the money to Jason.

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**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Joyce Metcalf 10/9

Addy Bang 10/21

Dianna Bang 10/27

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Fall Gathering at the Thompson's!

THIS Friday, October 14th @ 5pm (weather permitting)

Bring a dish/dessert to share, lawn chairs, blankets/coats.

We have a sign up sheet for food/drinks on the back table.

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Men's meeting - October 15th @ 9am

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Next month's potluck will be on November 13th.

This will be our annual Chili Cook off.

Start perfecting your recipes and plan to join us!

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If you missed our Gospel Meeting last week, you can watch the lessons online @ <https://www.greenvillecoc.org/sermon.html>

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Serving AM & PM today and next Sunday:

Sunday AM Rotation	October 9, 2022 AM	October 9, 2022 PM	October 16, 2022 AM
Announcements	Jerry Thompson	Jason Bang	Tom Muter
Song Leading	Duane Kemp	Owen Whittington	Owen Whittington
Opening Prayer/Greeter/Usher	Jason Bang (L)	Brennan Arrell	Tim Bang
Lord's Supper Comments	Tom Muter	Tim Bang	Duane Kemp
Scripture Reading	Owen Whittington	Duane Kemp	Chris McGiffin
Sermon	John McGiffin	John McGiffin	John McGiffin
Closing Prayer/Usher	Chris McGiffin (R)	Seth Arrell	Jerry Thompson

Bible Verse of the Week

“And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may have an abundance for every good work.” 2 Corinthians 9:8

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Lord’s Supper Reflection

He Died that We may Live

“The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.” John 10:10

Offering Meditation

God gives us a choice. We should WANT to give back to Him

“And when you offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving to the LORD, offer *it* of your own free will.” Leviticus 22:29

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Remember in Prayer:

- *Our Country & leaders
- *Phyllis Caldwell - encouragement
- *Rena Morgan - Shut in, health
- *Ernst & Helen Sherrill (Bro/Sis in Christ from TN) - shut ins with ongoing health issues
- *Larry Bey - asked for prayers for his Parkinson’s
- *Tom Cruze (Phyllis Caldwell’s nephew) - dealing with health issues
- *Debbie Brayfield (Alena Brown’s aunt) - is home recovering from surgery/being in Rehab facility
- *Eric, a gentleman from the fair booth that is doing a Bible study.
- *Diane Perry (Michelle Gasper’s grandma) - is recovering from hip surgery
- *Carrie Fannin (Michelle Gasper’s mom) - prayer for her mental health

- *Missy Seiber (Tammy Sieber’s sister-in-law) - is having surgery to remove cysts on her spine
- *Tami Hamilton (co-worker of Lois Ferris) - will be having surgery for breast cancer
- *Family and friends of Tim Flannery grieving his passing
- *Tyler Gray - health
- *Debbie Vincent (member at Tipp City Church) - is having knee surgery this week.

How can we be praying for YOU?

Please call John or email him at jmcgiffin.yayo@gmail.com with any prayer requests or announcements you may have for the congregation.

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Attendance and Contribution Record

Sunday, October 1

Bible Classes
AM Attendance
PM Attendance

Wednesday, October 5

Bible Classes
Contribution \$1,834.00

Welcome to the Greenville Church of Christ



October 9, 2022

Worship Times:

- Sunday Morning Bible class: 9:30am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am
- Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm
- Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00pm

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We are blessed that you have chosen to worship with us today!
If you are visiting, we would love to have you back with us again. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor’s card and let us get to know you.