

# What does cleanliness have to do with being godly?

Often we hear the expression, "Cleanliness is next to godliness." That statement is sometimes a mantra for neat freaks wanting to make sure their particularity looks like a good thing.

Does cleanliness actually have anything to do with godliness? Is there anything involved in cleanliness besides meticulously scrubbing every inch of your house?

1 Peter 1:15, 16 says, "But, in accord with the Holy One who called you, do you also become holy yourselves in all your conduct because it is written: 'You must be holy, because I am holy.'"

Being holy involves more than having a clean home and properly grooming yourself. 2 John 10, 11 says, "If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, never receive him into your homes or say



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a greeting to him. For he that says a greeting to him is a sharer in his wicked works."

Revelation 18:4 says, "And I heard another voice out of heaven say: 'Get out of her, my people, if you do not want to share with her in her sins, and if you do not want to receive part of her plagues.'"

Keeping our religious beliefs and worship clean, that is, sticking to what the Bible teaches, is the most important aspect of cleanliness.

Another aspect of cleanliness is

adulterers, nor men kept for unnatural purposes, nor men who lie with men, nor thieves, nor greedy persons, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit God's kingdom. And yet that is what some of you were. But you have been washed clean, but you have been sanctified, but you have been declared righteous in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and with the spirit of our God."

In order to become and stay clean morally, it is important to stay clean

mentally.

Matthew 15:18-20 says, "However, the things proceeding out of the mouth come out of the heart, and those things defile a man. For example, out of the heart come wicked reasonings, murders, adulteries, fornications, thieveries, false testimonies, blasphemies. These are the things defiling a man; but to take a meal with unwashed hands does not defile a man."

That's not to say that physical cleanness is not important. Deuteronomy 23: 12, 13 says, "And a private place should be at your service outside the camp, and you must go out there. And a peg should be at your service along with your implements, and it must occur that when you squat outside, you must also dig a hole with it and turn and cover your excrement."

Before indoor plumbing was invented, God's word provided guidelines for keeping cities clean.

People were to dig a hole "outside the camp," away from where people lived, rather than leave a mess that would stink, would draw flies and would contaminate the water.

We should be concerned today about cleanliness for the sake of health and to avoid offending others.

Cleanliness also involves our speech.

Ephesians 4:25 says, "Wherefore, now that you have put away falsehood, speak truth each one of you with his neighbor, because we are all members belonging to one another."

In the same chapter, verse 29 says, "Let a rotten saying not proceed out of your mouth, but whatever saying

is good for building up as the need may be, that it may impart what is favorable to the hearer."

To be able to use speech to build up and to keep our minds clean, we need to fill our minds with positive thoughts.

Philippians 4:8 says, "Finally, brothers, whatever things are true, whatever things are of serious concern, whatever things are righteous, whatever things are chaste, whatever things are lovable, whatever things are well spoken of, whatever virtue there is and whatever praiseworthy thing there is, continue considering these things."

Being physically clean is good for our health and makes it easier for others to stand being around us. But the cleanliness most important to godliness is being clean spiritually, morally and mentally.

## matters of record

**District Traffic**  
**April 7** — Arlene K. Brown, 42, Commerce City, Colo., \$108 for over weight limits on wheels and axles.

James D. Prilliman, 38, Littleton, Colo., \$138 for speeding.

Noberto M. Franco, 29, Aurora, Colo., \$132 for speeding.

Roberto V. Bradford, 33, St. Robert, Mo., \$125 for speeding.

Oscar Lopez, 29, Pittsburg, \$300 for no liability, \$120 for no license insurance and \$117 for speeding.

**April 8** — Michael G. Jones, 24, Colorado Springs, \$150 for speeding.

Carol A. Wagner, 45, Kansas City, Mo., \$159 for speeding.

Elizabeth R. Novack, 22, St. Louis, Mo., \$194 for improper parking.

Norma Ramirez, 20, Goodland, \$120 driving on right side required, \$20 for no child restraint and \$10 no seat belt.

Dominic P. Robichaud, 32, Aurora, Colo., \$150 for speeding.

Jason M. Bahe, 20, Goodland,

\$10 for no seat belt.

David M. Bollinger, 37, Lakewood, Colo., \$240 for speeding.

Telena G. Brox, 50, Canon City, Colo., \$126 for speeding.

Krista L. Bashford, 48, Evergreen, Colo., \$195 for speeding.

Melissa K. Higgins, 30, Atlanta, Ga., \$24 for speeding.

**April 11** — James S. Andrus, 20, Gibson, Ga., \$144 for speeding.

Christopher H. Christian, 21, Bethlehem, Pa., \$126 for speeding.

Porfirio D. Diaz-Garcia, 32, Reno, Nev., \$159 for speeding.

Soren K. Hansen, 38, Manhattan, \$168 for speeding.

Catherine B. Harris, 24, Germantown, Tenn., \$186 for speeding.

Christopher Lee, 30, Mount Prospect, Ill., \$120 for traffic control signals and \$10 for no seat belt.

William S. Miller, 37, Claremore, Okla., \$159 for speeding.

Cynthia A. Shaull, 18, Littleton, Colo., \$132 for speeding.

Federico Palafox, 37, Columbia, S.C., \$159 for speeding and \$20 for no child restraint.

Veronica E. Dominguez, 38, Monte Vista, Colo., \$180 for speeding.

Charles J. Dominguez, 44, Monte Vista, Colo., \$214 for driving under

suspension.

Bradley J. Pyatt, 24, Fishers, Ind., \$138 for speeding.

Merid Seifu, 34, Aurora, Colo.,

\$168 for speeding.

Ernest G. Rose, 43, Littleton, Colo., \$120 for speeding.

Zachary F. Thomas, 34, Pueblo

West, Colo., \$126 for speeding.

Jonathan A. Uribe-Huitron, 27, Fort Carson, Colo., \$168 for speed-

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## Worship warms the heart



### Calvary Gospel Church

**Pastor:** Rev. Steve Rains  
Fourth & College • 899-3605  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am  
Morning Service: 10:30 am  
Small Group Ministries  
**Wednesday:** Prayer and Worship: 7:00 p.m.  
Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m.

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Pastor:** Father Norbert Dlabal  
307 W. 13th • 890-7205  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment  
**Mass Schedule:**  
Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am  
**Spanish Mass:**  
Sunday: 4 pm

### Sonrise Christian Church

Ninth & Caldwell • 899-5398  
**Minister:**  
**Youth Minister:**  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9:30 am  
Sunday School: 10:45 am  
**Wednesday:**  
Junior/Senior High Meeting: 7 pm  
Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm

### Word of Life

#### Joursquare Church

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Evening Service: 6 pm

### Bible Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Glenn Hermanson  
Fifth & Broadway  
890-7368  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
Morning Service: 10 am  
Evening Service: 6:30 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

### Church of Jesus Christ

#### of Latter-Day Saints

1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO  
(719) 346-7984  
**Sacrament Meeting:** 10 am  
**Sunday School:** 11:15 am  
**Priesthood/Relief Society:** 12 am

### Iglesia Del Dios Vivo

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Spanish Speaking Church  
**Minister:** Esteban Ortiz B.  
1601 Texas • 899-5275  
**Daily Prayer:** Sunday thru  
Saturday: 5 am & 6 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 am

### United Methodist Church

#### Brewster:

##### Pastor:

Worship Service: 10:45 am CST

Sunday School: 9:45 am CST

##### Winona:

**Minister:** Rev. Bob Winters

Worship Service: 9 am CST

Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

### First Christian Church

#### (Disciples of Christ)

##### Pastor: John Park Winkler

Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233

**Sunday:** Worship Service: 10:30 am

**Sunday School:** 9:15 a.m.

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#### United Methodist

##### Church

**Pastor:** Leonard Cox

399-2468

**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am

Worship Service: 10:15 am

### Church of the Nazarene

##### Pastor: Bob Willis

Third & Caldwell

899-2080 or 899-3797

**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:45 am

Worship Service: 10:50 am

Evening Service: 6 pm

**Wednesday:** Evening Service: 7 pm

### First United Methodist Church

1116 Sherman

899-3631

**Pastor:** Rev. Janet Hernandez

**Saturday:** Informal Worship: 5:30 pm

**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am

Worship Service: 10:30 am

### Goodland Bible Church

109 Willow Road • 899-6400

**Pastor:** Chad DeJong

**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:30 am

Morning Worship: 10:45 am

Evening Worship: 6 pm

**Wednesday:** AWANA (Winter)  
and prayer: 7 p.m.

### First Baptist Church

##### Pastor: John Meckling

Fifth & Center • 890-3450

**Sunday:** Sunday School for all ages:

9:15 am (Child care provided)

Morning Worship: 10:30 am

**Wednesday:** Bible study 7 p.m.

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**Thursday:** Bible study 9:30 a.m.

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### St. Paul's Episcopal Church

13th & Center

Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969

**Priest:** Father Hal Lycett

**Holy Eucharist:** 10:00 a.m. Sunday

10:00 a.m. Thursday

**Morning Prayer:** 8:00 a.m. Wed. - Sun.

For emergencies Wed. - Sun. 890-6969

Sr. Warden for emergencies

Mon. and Tues. 890-3320

### Grace Fellowship Church

104 E. Hwy 24 • 890-6423

##### Pastor:

**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 am

Worship Service: 11 am

### Seventh Day Adventist Church

1160 Cattletrail

**Pastor:** Jim Martin

**Saturday:** Sabbath School: 9:30 am

Worship Service: 11 am

### Emmanuel Lutheran Church

13th & Sherman • 890-6161

**Pastor:** Scott Grimshaw

**Sunday:** Christian eduction/fellowship:

10:15 a.m.

Worship Service: 9 am

**Wednesday:** Confirmation: 6 pm

### Church of Christ

401 Caldwell

890-6185

**Sunday:** Bible Study: 9:45 am

Worship Service: 10:45 am

**Wednesday:** Bible Study: 7 pm

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