Prayer for Purity

TUNE: Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart (MORECAMBE)

Genesis 2:7; Psalm 19:14; 51:10; 139:1-4, 23-24;

Ephesians 1:5-6; 3:14-19; 1 Peter 1:14-19



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MORECAMBE 10.10.10.10.

TOPICS: Consecration; Holiness; Holy Spirit; Living in Christ;

Repentance & Forgiveness

LEAD-IN 1: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and

from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

("Collect for Purity" from *The Book of Common Prayer*)

LEAD-IN 2: Search me, O God, and know my heart;

test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

(Psalm 139:23-24, NIV)

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

Your Holy Temple

I will be careful to lead a blameless life...
I will walk in my house
with blameless heart.
I will set before my eyes
no vile thing...
I will have nothing to do with evil.
(Psalm 101:2-4, NIV)

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body. (1 Corinthians 6:19-20, NIV)

If a man cleanses himself... he will be an instrument for noble purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work. (2 Timothy 2:21, NIV)

Father, I cherish Your holy presence always with me, in me, and all around me.

Help me never to entertain thoughts that are offensive to You or say words that are unloving or take actions unworthy of the name of Christ.

By Your Holy Spirit, by simple faith, keep my heart, mind, and life pure, fit for your use.

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