

Where Are We Going? What Is Our Goal?

1 Timothy 1:5 The end of the command is love from a pure heart, good conscience and a sincere faith.

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans that I ^[a]have for you," declares the LORD, "plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope."

Love comes from those three- Pure heart

Good conscience

Sincere faith

Pure Heart-

Ps. 51 Create in me a clean heart

Ez 36:26- I will give you a new heart

2 Cor. 5:17- New creation

Clean or pure, so which is it?

Pure- Katharos(gr)

Clean-Katharos (gr)

Jn. 13:10- "He who has bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all *of you*."

Jn. 15:2-3 every *branch* that bears fruit, He ^[a]prunes it so that it may bear more fruit. ³You are already ^[b]clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.

Good Conscience-

CS Lewis said

But the most remarkable thing is this. Whenever you find a man who says he does not believe in a real Right and Wrong, you will find the same man going back on this a moment later. He may break his promise to you, but if you try breaking one to him he will be complaining "It's not fair" before you can say Jack Robinson.

Our Conscience can be :

Twisted

Seared-

1 Tim. 4:1-3 But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will ^[a]fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons, ² by means

of the hypocrisy of liars seared in their own conscience as with a branding iron, ³men who forbid marriage *and advocate* abstaining from foods

Corrupt

Properly feeling guilty

Sometimes Christian and preachers have even used guilt as a motivator to improperly induce feelings, actions or responses.

Accuser of the Brethren- who?

Rev. 12:9-10 the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole ^[a]world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. ¹⁰Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying,

“Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, he who accuses them before our God day and night.

Sincere Faith-

Our goal as teachers- Not to cause you to stumble

I Timothy 1:3-4 remain on at Ephesus so that you may instruct certain men not to teach strange doctrines, ⁴nor to ^[a]pay attention to myths and endless genealogies, which give rise to mere speculation

Won't have to wonder, Has God really said?

Gen. 3:1

Now the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, “Indeed, has God said,

II Tim. 3:16-17

¹⁶All Scripture is ^[a]inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for ^[b]training in righteousness; ¹⁷so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

Guard, protect these three

Pure Heart that God has given and is working in you

Good Conscience that you have because you are forgiven as a believer

Sincere faith that you can enjoy as you trust in the words He has clearly spoken to us.