



"Eliminate physical clutter. More importantly, eliminate spiritual clutter."

For our boast is this, the testimony of our conscience, that we behaved in the world with simplicity and godly sincerity, not by earthly wisdom but by the grace of God, and supremely so toward you.

—2 Corinthians 1:12

"Complexity means distracted effort; simplicity means focused effort."

—Edward de Bono

But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

—2 Corinthians 11:3 NASV

"Every age has its own characteristics. Right now we are in an age of religious complexity. The simplicity which is in Christ is rarely found among us."

—A.W. Tozer

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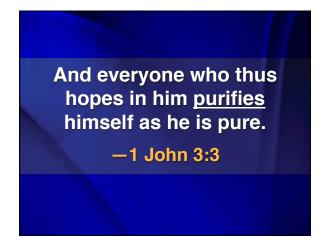
• He substitutes a new Word.

Blessed are the <u>pure</u> in heart, for they shall see God.

—Matthew 5:8

...so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be <u>pure</u> and blameless for the day of Christ.

—Philippians 1:10



Like newborn infants, long for the <u>pure</u> spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation.

—1 Peter 2:2

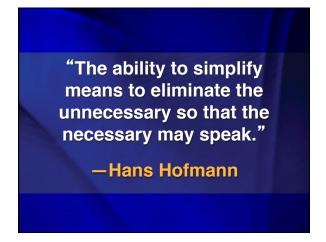


"Scripture induced meetings
with God must have
priority in our spirituality."
—Donald Whitney



We are to live by "every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God."

— Matthew 4:4



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Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

-Colossians 3:16

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"...we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.

—Romans 15:4

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Pray God's Word Repeatedly
Memorize God's Word
Intentionally

"The law of the Lord is perfect reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple." —Psalm 19:7

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- Obey God's Word Promptly

But be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.

But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing."

-James 1:22-25

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- Trust God's Word Completely

"This God—His way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; he is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him."

-Psalm 18:30

