

Nothing but the Blood
Purified by the Blood
Hebrews 9:13-14

“Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart...” (Psalm 24:3-4a)

“But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false.” (Revelation 21:27)

“he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by the means of his own blood...” (Hebrews 9:12a)

“...so when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, ‘I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to it yourselves.’” (Matthew 27:24)

Points to Ponder: What do we do with the memory of our sin. Do we insist that we will try to make it up? Or do we look for distractions, thinking that something fun and exciting will wipe clean the memory of our failure? All such things are folly, for nothing can purify our heart and hands when it come to the stain of sin - that is **nothing but the blood of Jesus!** If we know Him, then let us worship this one who has done this for us; if we do not know Him, then let us surrender to the only one who can make us clean.

Next Week: We will continue our Lenten Sermon Series entitled *Nothing but the Blood* - a series in which we will ponder what the blood of Jesus accomplished for us. Our hope is that this season of Lent will prepare us well to marvel at our Savior’s death and resurrection in the week of Easter. Next week we will look at the text of **1 Peter 1:18-19 Redeemed by the Blood.**

