



## STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART PT 2: CLEANING THE UNCLEAN

Have you ever done something that left you feeling gross, infected, or unclean? Maybe you're the reason you've kept your distance from God is that you feel unclean and disgusting. Or worse, maybe God's people have made you feel like you could never be clean enough? Every person wants to live a life full of blessings. We want to experience satisfaction, live a life of purpose, and enjoy all of God's promises. So, how do we get there...if our lives are a mess? What do we do? Jesus answers the question.

**Big Idea: Only Jesus makes the unclean clean.**

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the biggest mess that you've ever made? How did you clean it up?
2. What are some things that gross you out? Without getting too graphic, what happens when you encounter those things?
3. With your Bible or Bible App, **read Matthew 8:1-4.**
4. What was the leper's request? What was Jesus' response?
5. Why did he ask to be made clean rather than to be healed (v.2)? Was he sick or dirty?
6. How come a holy person like Jesus touched an unclean person (v.3)? Wouldn't that defile Jesus? Why didn't it defile Jesus?
7. Do we have untouchables in our society that we need to wrap around with the compassion of Christ? Who are they?
8. Do you think that God still heals like that today? If God would do miraculous healings today, what would be required?
9. With your Bible or Bible App, **read Matthew 5:1-11**
10. What is the prerequisite to seeing God? What is the meaning of the word "heart" in Scripture? (Mark 7:20-23). What is the Meaning of the word "Pure"? (Jeremiah 32:39)
11. How can I be pure in heart? (I John 1:7, 9; James 4:4, 8) What promise is made to the pure in heart?
12. Have you ever done something that left you feeling spiritually or emotionally gross, infected, or unclean? What did you do to feel clean again?