



Coming Clean
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Summary of the first three weeks: "I CAN'T. GOD CAN. LET HIM."

Week One/Choice One: THE REALITY CHOICE (I CAN'T)

I realize that I am not God, and I admit that I need help. I am powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing, and my life is unmanageable.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:3 (NIV)

Week Two/Choice Two: THE HOPE CHOICE (GOD CAN)

I earnestly believe that God exists, I matter to Him, and God has the power to help me change.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Matthew 5:4 (NIV)

Week Three/Choice Three: THE COMMITMENT CHOICE (LET HIM)

I consciously choose to commit all my life and will to Christ's care and control.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Matthew 5:5 (NIV)

Today/Choice Four: THE HOUSECLEANING CHOICE

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Happy are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Matthew 5:8 (GN)

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to God, and to someone I trust.

You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. John 8:32 (GW)

- Truth is the cost of _____.
- Freedom is the reward of _____.

Happy are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Matthew 5:8 (GN)

*(Jesus) I have come in order that you might have life—life in all its
fullness.* John 10:10 (GN)

- Jesus didn't call his followers to be _____, but
to be in _____.

*Jesus shouted with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man
came out, his feet bound and his hands tied, and his face covered with a
cloth. Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go."*
John 11:43–44 (CEB)

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Galatians 5:1 (NIV)

If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. John 8:36 (NIV)

To be free is to be pure in heart.

*What happiness for those whose guilt has been forgiven! What joys
when sins are covered over! What relief for those who have confessed
their sins and God has cleared their record.* Psalm 32:1–2 (LB)

What Guilt Does to You

- Guilt destroys your _____.
- Guilt damages your _____.
- Guilt keeps you _____.

The basis of a pure heart is not how good _____,
but how good _____.

- Remember God's _____.

God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance.

Romans 2:4 (RSV)

- Remember God's _____.

*For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor
demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither
height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to
separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Romans 8:38–39 (NIV)

- Remember God's _____.

*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our
sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.* 1 John 1:9 (NIV)

For it is Christ who is the "Yes" to all of God's promises.

2 Corinthians 1:20 (GN)