

Our taste buds give it away. This doesn't taste the way I remember it. What's different? Somebody watered it down, or added something that doesn't agree with me. I liked it the way it was meant to be. I like it unmixed, unmodified, no variations on a theme.

We like things plain and simple...just the way God intended them to be; 100% pure. Problems start with motivations. Mixed motives and selfish ambition enter the picture and the good is altered, watered down or twisted as we try to straighten things out on our own. So Paul urges us to focus on life and God as He intended for us. Think in terms of what is authentic. Meditate on whatever is pure.

Meditate (reflect deeply) on whatever is pure

Terms and conditions

Struggling

Recognizing

Sustaining

Recovering

Personal Application and Conversations

1. What do you consume that you are confident is 100% pure?
2. When Isaiah saw the Lord in unadulterated holiness (Isaiah 6) he was struck by his own great need of cleansing. How have meditations on whatever is pure impacted your relationship to God and others?
3. You find yourself wrestling with something in the middle of the night so you start to pray in the darkness but it seems to no avail. How does focusing on whatever is pure ease the struggle and help you rest in the Lord and pray?
4. How do thoughts of whatever is pure affect your decision to trust someone (Prov. 21:8; 1 Tim. 5:21-22; James 3:13-18)?
5. What effect do these meditations help you to make things right with people?



The Fear of the Lord

Whatever is Pure

Philippians 4:8

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