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According to GotQuestions, consecration is “***the separation of oneself from things that are unclean, especially anything that would contaminate one’s relationship with a perfect God.***”

Consecration carries the connotation of ***sanctification, holiness, purity, and circumcision.***

# Scripture

**Isaiah 1:16-17 KJV**, “**Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil; (17) Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.**”

**Genesis 35:2 KJV**, “Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, **Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean, and change your garments:**”

**Psalms 51:10 KJV**, “**Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.**”

# Discussion

There's no doubt The Most High exclaimed in His Word "**the exigency of purification**", which also means the importance of consecration.

In a project I'm working on, I broke down David's heartfelt prayer of repentance in Psalm 51. The servant continuously mentioned purification in his prayer...why?

Because David understood **purification keeps you close to a PURE God.**

So if purity or a heart striving for it keeps you close to a pure God, what doesn't? **Impurity.**

# Circumcision V. Uncircumcision

## ***The Spiritual Aspect:***

I remember reading Exodus, and I continued to see these words. I wondered, “*What is the spiritual meaning of this?*” because there’s always one. Therefore, I looked up what it meant.

Gesenius’ Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon

- ***Uncircumcised***  
“Similarly Jeremiah 6:10, ‘their ear is closed with a foreskin, and their uncircumcised heart into which ***divine precepts cannot penetrate...***”

“To regard as uncircumcised, ***i.e. profane, impure***, Lev. 19:23”

# Circumcision V. Uncircumcision

- **Circumcised**

“Metaph. Deut. 10:16, “Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart”, **remove impure things from your mind.**”

“Figuratively, Jeremiah 4:4, ‘Circumcise yourselves to Jehovah”, **i.e. put away all wickedness from your minds, and consecrate yourselves to Jehovah.**”

After this, I finally understood circumcision and uncircumcision. The Most High is pleased with spiritual circumcision because it's the removal of impure and wicked things in our heart; however, He is displeased with uncircumcision, **KEEPING** the impure and wicked things of the heart.

# The Heart (Soul and Mind)

It seems everything always comes back to the heart... why? The heart is the basis, the starting point, the foundation, and **the point of departure meaning where our thoughts leave and turn into actions.**

With any man or woman, they have a freewill and a choice. **A will to do whatever they please.** They can do righteousness or do unrighteousness. They can follow the commandments of Christ, or disobey His commandments.

**The Most High focuses on the heart because this is where seeds of righteousness or unrighteousness can be birthed.** Once those seeds flourish, if not plucked, they'll bear fruit (an action). The Most High desires righteous fruit from us, **but He despises evil fruit.**

# What Is The Heart?

## Outline of Biblical Usage

### I. The heart

**B.** denotes the centre of all physical and spiritual life

II. the centre and seat of spiritual life

a. ***The soul or mind, as it is the fountain and seat of the thoughts, passions, desires, appetites, affections, purposes, endeavours***

In short, the heart is composed of your ***emotions, intellect, and will***. Do you now understand why The Most High wants your heart?

***Matthew 22:37***, “Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with ***all thy heart***, and with ***all thy soul***, and with ***all thy mind***.”



# What Is The Heart?

Why is there emphasis on a renewed heart?

**Genesis 8:21 KJV**, “...for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth...”

**Jeremiah 17:9 KJV**, “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?”

Remember I said, “**The Most High desires righteous fruit...**” In order to produce it, you must yield your heart to Him in full submission. The heart of Man is **innately** deceitful and **desperately** wicked. It's in direct opposition of The Most High. This is the importance of consecration because **a defying and defiled heart cannot please The Most High.**

**Romans 8:7 KJV**, “Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.”

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# The Born-Again Believer

The Holy Spirit redeemed ***your spirit*** and made it holy. Your spirit is now eligible to enter into the kingdom of God, but just how one can lose eligibility and qualifications in the world, so it is spiritually.

When we received The Holy Spirit inside of our temples, ***we did not lose our freewill (our mind)***. We gained The Helper (The Holy Spirit) to help us choose what pleases Him, ***but we still have the choice to follow Him or not.***

# Guarding Our Hearts

This is why (since the days of old) The Spirit has stressed through vessels to guard their heart, **Proverbs 4:23 KJV**, “Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.”

**Proverbs 4:23 EXB**, “Be careful what you think [L Above all that you guard, protect your heart], because your thoughts run your life [L life flows from it].”

## ***The importance of guarding our heart.***

I compare the heart as a garden. The eyes and ears are the gateways into the garden of our hearts. What we watch and listen to are **SEEDS** being planted into the garden of our hearts. If we continue to watch and listen to wicked things, the seed will be watered. Then, it will take root. Then, shoot and finally, ***it will*** bear fruit in our lives.

# The Seeds In Our Hearts

Play a part in the purification and sanctification of our minds. We can do all the reading and praying we want, but if we don't **bear** righteous fruit, the heart will still be defiled. Take the Word (**The Seed**) and implant it in the garden of your heart.

Make sure you water your garden **by CONTINUING in The Word** but most importantly bearing the fruit **by DOING The Word.**

# Scripture

**Psalm 12:6 KJV**, “**The Words of the LORD are pure words**: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.”

**1 John 3:3 EXB**, “And all who have this hope in Christ [him] **keep themselves pure, just as Christ [he] is pure.**”

**1 Peter 1:16 KJV**, “Because it is written, **Be ye holy; for I am holy.**”