

Soul-Purifying

by Thomas Brooks

True hope leads to soul-purification, causing us to strive for holiness and sanctification.

Scripture: Romans 15:13, 2 Corinthians 7:1, Ephesians 4:24, Philippians 1:6, Colossians 1:22, 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24, Titus 2:14, Hebrews 10:23, 1 Peter 1:22, 1 John 3:3

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Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes that true hope is soul-purifying, leading believers to pursue holiness and sanctification. He explains that those who have the strongest hope of salvation are diligent in their efforts to be sanctified, as hope keeps their focus on God, Christ, and the Word. This hope ignites a fire within the soul, burning away corruptions and drawing purifying strength from Christ, the ultimate source of purity. Ultimately, hope inspires believers to aspire to be like Christ in glory.

Transcript

"And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies

himself just as He is pure." 1 John 3:3

True hope is soul-purifying. It runs out into holiness.

He who has the purest and strongest hopes of being saved, is most studious and laborious to be sanctified.

Now hope purifies the heart and life thus--by keeping the purest objects, as God, Christ, the word, and the soul together; and by making the soul serious and conscientious in the use of all soul-purifying means;

and by being a fire in the soul to burn up all those corruptions and principles of darkness which are contrary to that purity and glory, which hope has in

her eye; and by working the soul to lean upon Christ,
to live in Christ, and to draw purifying virtue from
Christ--who is the spring and fountain of all purity
and sanctity. And thus hope purifies those who
expect to be like Christ in glory.

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