Desire, Purpose, Motive

Create in Me a Clean Heart



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Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalms 51:10

The idea that it is necessary only to develop the good that exists in man by nature, is a fatal deception. "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

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John 3:1-5 & John 4:15-20,26

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Truth about soul's condition



Avoided by using theology



Makes the main thing the main thing

The Saviour said, "Except a man be born from above," unless he shall receive a new heart, new desires, purposes, and motives, leading to a new life, "he cannot see the kingdom of God." John 3:3.

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Desire

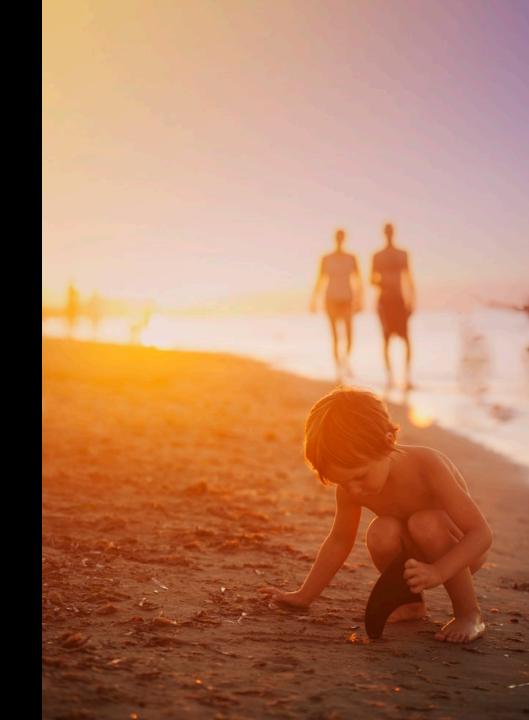
To long or hope for



Desire vs. Want

"It would seem that Our Lord finds our desires not too strong, but *too weak*. We are half-hearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us, like an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at the sea. We are far too easily pleased."

C.S. Lewis



As the deer pants for the water brooks, So pants my soul for You, O God.

Psalm 42:1

Purpose

Something set up as an object or end to be attained

Watch your aim!



Success in any line demands a definite aim. He who would achieve true success in life must keep steadily in view the aim worthy of his endeavor. Such an aim is set before the youth of today.

The heaven-appointed purpose of giving the gospel to the world in this generation is the noblest that can appeal to any human being. It opens a field of effort to everyone whose heart Christ has touched.

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To this end I also labor, striving according to His working which works in me mightily.

Colossians 1:29

To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

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Colossians 1:27,29

Philippians 3:12-14

Hebrews 12:1-2

Motive

A reason for doing something, especially one that is hidden or not obvious

Seeking, Service, and Surrender

Seeking

"You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions."

James 4:3 ESV

"You seek Me, not because you saw the signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled."

John 6:26 NKJV







Change her life



So He would accept and love

For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.

2 Corinthians 5:14–15

Service

Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven

Matthew 6:1

Not **SO** cool



Many acts which pass for good works, even deeds of benevolence, will, when closely investigated, be found to be prompted by wrong motives. Many receive applause for virtues which they do not possess. The Searcher of hearts inspects motives, and often the deeds which are highly applauded by men are recorded by Him as springing from selfish motives and base hypocrisy.

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Surrender

Psalm 51:16-19

Oh, let us contemplate the amazing sacrifice that has been made for us! Let us try to appreciate the labor and energy that Heaven is expending to reclaim the lost, and bring them back to the Father's house. **Motives stronger, and agencies** more powerful, could never be brought into operation.

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