

# THE CLEANSING



# OF THE CHURCH

## INTRODUCTION:

“The Cleansing of the Church” **must** happen before Jesus returns. He Loves His Church and wants it to be Holy and without blemish!

## Eph 5:26-27

26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it...

27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

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## COMMENTARY:

The following are some of the ‘areas’ that **must** be “Cleansed”.

## Deut 17:2-3

2 If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God, in transgressing his covenant,

3 And hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded;

## Deut 18:10

10 There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch,

## Isa 8:19

19 And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter:

## Jer 8:5

5 Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

## Jer 44:17

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**Micah 3:11**

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**2 Pet 2:13-14**

13 And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as **they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots they are and blemishes,** sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you;

14 **Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:**

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**Isa 47:13** (To those that follow psychologists, astrologers, etc.)

13 **Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the astrologers, the stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save thee from these things that shall come upon thee.**

**Zeph 1:4-6** (To those that are greedy, that worship idols, that blend pagan worship with Godly worship, to those that are backslidden, and those that are not Saved)

4 **I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, and the name of the Chemarims with the priests;**

5 **And them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship and that swear by the LORD, and that swear by Malcham;**

6 **And them that are turned back from the LORD; and those that have not sought the LORD, nor inquired for him.**

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**CONCLUSION:**

God is in the process of "The Cleansing of the Church". He is going to purge His Church from all the rebels and transgressors before His Soon Return!

**Ezek 20:38**

38 **And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me:...**

**2 Pet 3:14** (Therefore, Get Ready!)

14 **Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.**

**Amen! Timothy II**