

water anticipate what Christ will do for us (1 Peter 2:24; 3:18)?

Sermon Notes

"True Cleansing"
Numbers 19
September 25, 2022

4. Carefully analyze Hebrews 9:13-14. List all the ways the author indicates that Christ's sacrifice is superior to the OT sacrifices, including that of the red heifer.

5. In what way are God's people now to cleanse themselves? Consider the following verses in their context.

2 Corinthians 7:1;

Ephesians 5:26

2 Timothy 2:21

James 4:8

1 John 1:7-9

6. Is there any particular "spiritual dirtiness" that God is prompting you to be cleansed of? What are your next steps?.

Let's Pray

Growth Group Homework

For the week of 9-25-2022

Getting Started:

1. Describe creative ways you've observed (in yourself or others) to deal with "physical dirtiness" without actually cleaning it. What parallels do you see with our attempts to avoid dealing with "spiritual dirtiness" in our lives?

Digging Deeper:

2. Read Numbers 19.
 - a. When it stipulates that a sacrifice be "unblemished ... without defect," what does it have in mind? See Leviticus 22:18-25; Malachi 1:8.
 - b. When that concept is applied to Christ, what is emphasized? (1 Peter 1:19; 2:22)
 - c. Those who come in contact with death are defiled. What parallels does their condition of defilement have with sinfulness in general?
 - d. God provides a remedy for defilement. What does the way the remedy is prepared and the way it is applied teach us to anticipate about God's future permanent remedy for sin?
3. How does the red heifer serve as a type of Christ (Hebrews 13:11-13; 2 Corinthians 5:21)? How does the experience of "the clean man" who sprinkles the cleansing