

"Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." Psalm 51:7 KJV

Snow makes the dirtiest streets look clean. Is there anything whiter than snow? Yes! The heart cleansed of sin by the Blood of Jesus Christ! Confession is the key to cleansing. *"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* To admit my guilt to God, I must agree that God's Word is right, else what guilt do I have? Admitting God's Word is righteous, necessitates turning away from unrighteousness; forsaking sin and turning to the obedience of faith. Obedience, walking in the light of God, cleanses me of unrighteousness, because I no longer do it. God's Word is faithful and unchanging! *"The entrance of Thy Words giveth light."* Mom used to throw this little bright blue cube of "bluing" into the wash to make the laundry whiter. White is the color of clean. The desired attribute of white is its ability to reflect light. The whiter something is the more light it reflects. The more light something reflects the cleaner it appears. Eskimos make snow eyewear by cutting slits in blocks of wood or bone to significantly cut down the blinding glare of the sunlight off the snow and ice. Anyone who's ever skied on a sunny day knows that the reflected light is so bright it can actually temporarily blind a person. God's purpose for requiring us to walk in obedience is that we may reflect His Light, to become beacons of light in a sin darkened world. There's no such thing as too much light at night. Just as the moon has no light of its own, by reflecting the sunlight it can turn night almost into day. As children we used to love a full moon, because it meant we could play outside later. We could see to play. When we reflect the light of God into this world, through our obedience to God's Word, men who are searching can see the path to Truth more clearly. *"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."* Evil men will flee from it. *"Men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil."* Lighthouses stand on a high rock to send a bright warning signal across the waves. The rock secures them unmoveable, even in the tempest! We must stand on the high ground, unmoveable, so that all may clearly see the Light and be warned of the Wrath to come. Our light will not shine if we disobey. It is believers' responsibility to warn weary sinners of the dangers of the shoals of sin lest their souls' shipwreck, forever! My disobedience may misguide a weary traveler on the seas of life through absence of light.



The heart cleansed of sin is much whiter than snow,
And those all around it will certainly know,
It's gleam of pure brightness doth verily show,
The Light of the Father wherever they go. ~CGP

Believers are the little fires along the shore to those already shipwrecked, struggling to escape the deep, so they may be guided safely ashore. Believers must always stay "washed" clean, obedient, that our light be not dimmed and useless to those seeking to avoid perdition. Jesus told us when He departed that we would be the light of the world, reflecting His pure Light from souls washed whiter than snow for the entire world to see. Obedience *"cleanses us from all sin."* If you're not cleansed, you cannot reflect the Light of God!

"Now ye are clean through the Word which I have spoken unto you." John 15:3 KJV