

Does Your Temple Need Cleansing?

Scripture Reading: *1 Corinthians 6:12-20*

Introduction:

- A. In *Matthew 21:12-14*, we read of Jesus “cleansing” the temple in Jerusalem.
- B. What about your temple? Is it being used as God intended? Does it need some cleansing?

I. Our bodies are described in the New Testament as temples

- A. “Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.” (*1 Corinthians 6:19-20*).

- B. The body of Christ—the church—is described as “*God’s temple*” (*1 Corinthians 3:16-17*).

II. If my temple isn’t what it ought to be, what do I need in order to be adequately cleansed?

- A. The _____ of Christ.
- B. The _____ of Christ.
- C. Joint _____ with Christ.