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Every Word of God is Pure **Jack McNiel**

*"Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them
that put their trust in him."
Proverbs 30:5 KJV*

How do you know that gold is pure? Before modern metallurgy, the ancients would simply melt it in a crucible and see how much base metal floats to the top. The gold, being very dense would be on the bottom and the baser metal would float on top. If the sample had a high percentage of base metal, then the gold is not pure. To further purify it, the baser metals are skimmed off leaving the pure gold behind. The Hebrew word translated "pure" means, "to smelt refine or test." (Brown-Driver-Briggs Hebrew Definitions). The American Standard Version translated it, "Every word of God is tried." To try a metal also confirms its authenticity. The idea here is that every word of God is authentic – it comes to us from the Creator of the universe. Every word of God is inspired. Not some of the words. Not even most of the words. Every one of the Words of the Bible are authentic words from God is pure gold.

God is a shield to those who show their trust in Him by fleeing to and taking refuge in Him. Inherent in the idea of trust expressed here is the confidence that He will provide refuge and shield those who are His from all spiritual harm. How does He accomplish this? One way is through His divine providence in making a way to escape the temptations that are common to man. Another He shields those who put their trust in Him is through His Word. The word of God in our hearts, in our minds and on our tongues will shield us from many forms of temptation. The Psalms writer said, "Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against thee." Paul encourages Christians to take the shield of faith and with it to quench the fiery darts of the wicked. For us to have faith in God and thereby place our trust in him we need His pure word, because faith comes by hearing the word of God.

Read Psalms 119:11; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Ephesians 6:10-18; Romans 10:17

To send cards to our speakers from FHU

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Congregational News & Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Mary Bolen, Luther & Jo Merritt
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Sandra Epperson, Sue Harris
Freddie Stewart, Cindy Kidder,
Lisa Dukes, Doug Crouse,
Freddie Callis, Betty Mosely,
Teriyaki Anderson,
James Morris, Troyce Taylor,
Pearl Johnson, Paula Wadley,
Judy Ellis, Jerry Crabb,
Karen Chance, Linda Morris
Gaylon & Betty Cooper,
Sammy & Shirley Puckett,
Danny Darnaby

Friends & Family

Horace Yearwood,
Beverly Martindale,
Gladys Gowan, Diane Hubbard,
Brandi Rogers, Corey Allen
Kenton Lancaster,
Ruby Malone,
Caraline Rogers, Justin Puckett,
Jane Washington

Today's Sermons

AM - Before I Knew Him
1 Peter 1:17-23

PM - Jacob Harr
FHU Student

Happenings

South Jackson

April 19

Men's Business Meeting.
Follows Morning Services

April 24

Areawide Singing at
South Jackson

Area Events

April 22-25

Associates Yard Sale
Henderson National
Gaurd Armory

Cards to Send

Kenny & Panda Gren
249 Dustin Drive
Jackson, TN 38301

James Morris
C/O Vanessa Perry
97 Old Pinson Road
Jackson, TN 38301

Weekly Record

Bible Class	43/5
AM Worship	78/10
PM Worship	47/27
Wed Bible Study	48/5
Contribution	5112
Budget	3600

Those Privileged to Serve

Apr 19 - AM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Mike Wages
Read Scripture:
Costel Ghimpu
Opening Prayer:
Joe Venable
Sermon: Ray Pack
Closing Prayer: Greg Long
Communion: Marion Thomas
Contribution:
Jeff Bliss

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: John Smith
Opening Prayer:
Paul Hatcher
Sermon: Jacob Harr
Closing Prayer: Greg Long
Communion: Mike Wages

Apr 22 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas
Opening Prayer:
Ray Pack
Devo - Mike Wages

Apr 26 - AM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: John Smith
Read Scripture:
Van McConnell
Opening Prayer:
Marion Thomas
Sermon: Ray Pack
Closing Prayer: Greg Long
Communion: Mike Wages
Contribution:
Louie Leroux

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Ray Pack
Opening Prayer:
Joe Venable
Sermon: Singing Night
Closing Prayer: Ronald Clouse
Communion: Mike Wages

Apr 29 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas
Opening Prayer:
Paul Hatcher
Devo - Ray Pack

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Service Tim

Gospel of Christ - WBBJ	5:00 AM
Sunday Bible Class	9:30 AM
Sunday AM Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday PM Worship	5:00 PM
Midweek Bible Study	6:30 PM