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PURITY AND PEACE

Sermon notes from **11/5/06**

Deuteronomy 17:1-13

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Deuteronomy stresses God's faithfulness as our covenant-keeping King and urges His people to obey Him with all our minds, hearts, and souls as we await the prophet greater than Moses.

Section

- 1-3 Judgment Belongs to the Lord, our God.
- 4-6 The People Belong to the Lord, our God.
- 7-10 The Whole Earth Belongs to the Lord, our God.
- 11-25 God joins with His people in covenant with both blessings & curses.
 - 14:1-25:19 **Living as Children of the Lord** (14:1-2)
 - 14:1-29 Feasting together in the presence of the Lord
 - 15:1-23 Doing business as people blessed by the Lord
 - 16:1-21 Celebrating as God's Passover People
 - 16:18-20 Following justice as the recipients of God's blessing
 - 17:1-13 Purging evil from God's people.**
 - 17:14-19:21 Governing as those who revere the Lord foremost
 - 20:1-20 Waging War as the army of God
 - 21:1-25:19 Honoring God's presence in the land

Key Verses

" . . . If it is true and it has been proved that this detestable thing has been done in Israel, take the man or woman who has done this evil deed to your city gate and stone that person to death. . . You must purge the evil from among you." *Deuteronomy 17:4-7*

Message

- I. The Requirement of Absolute Purity**
- II. Purging Evil from God's People—then & now**
- III. Church Discipline and the Gospel of Grace**

Application

Please consider the following questions as you seek the Holy Spirit's direction:

1. Why must God's people be pure?
2. How is the whole community of faith to be involved in this purity & peace?
3. How do we avoid either legalism or antinomianism?