

NOW WORD COVENANT CHURCH
Spiritual Spring Cleaning
It's Time to Clean
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Objective: The aim of this message is to encourage members to conduct a spring cleaning of their spiritual houses in order to be more effective for the kingdom of God.

Scripture: Hebrews 12:1-2 (Amplified) - Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses [who by faith have testified to the truth of God's absolute faithfulness], stripping off every unnecessary weight and the sin which so easily and cleverly entangles us, let us run with endurance and active persistence the race that is set before us...

Review of Main Points:

1. **ACCUMULATION** - To gather or collect
 - a. _____ : What we do - 2 Corinthians 15:33
 - b. _____ : How we think – Romans 12:2
 - c. _____ : Who we're with – Psalm 1:1-2
 - d. _____ : What we have – Luke 12:15

2. **ACCESS** - ability, right or permission to use

3. **APATHY** - Lack of interest; passive; indifferent

4. **DECLUTTER** - to remove unnecessary items

5. **DISINFECT** - to cleanse of infection; destroy disease or germs

6. **DISCERN** - to distinguish, to separate out by diligent search

A. _____ – to change the way in which

something is organized. To make alterations or adjustments.

a. Matthew 6:33 – Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you

b. Luke 14:26 says, “ if anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters-yes, even their own life-such a person cannot be my disciple.”

B. _____ - to give a new purpose or a new use

a. **Genesis 50:20** ²⁰But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.

C. _____ - to commit oneself again to a project

or an idea

a. Galatians 5:1 - Stand[a] fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.

TAKEAWAY: It’s a given that attacks from the enemy will come. We have to be prepared for those attacks. Trusting God and

remaining alert to our surroundings will help us to keep our spiritual house clean.