5.1 Holy and Radiant

Bible Verse: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. - Ephesians 5:25-27

Truth: Jesus Christ loved the church and gave His life for the church. He wants the church to be clean and holy at the end of all ages, becoming God's glorious church.

Proclaim: Oh God! Please create in me a pure heart.

Main Lesson Points:

- A stained and blemished life
 - Pro 6:16-19
- Be a holy and radiant church
 - Eph 5:24-27
- The Lord cleanses us by His Word
 - Psa 51:2-3,119:9
- The Lord is transforming our hearts
 - Psa 51:10. Mat 5:8

Scripture: Proverbs 6:16-19

Interesting Questions:

(Choose 1 or more to discuss)

- How can we, as God's people, be cleansed by God's Word?
- What is our part in making this happen?
- The Bible refers to "a holy nation" what do you think of that? (1 Peter 2:9)

A Transformed & Holy Heart: There is a world famous tower in Italy. This tower called the Tower of Pisa has a long standing problem of more than 800 years. It is tilted vertically to as much as ten feet at the top. The cause is its bad foundations. As for man, God requires us to be upright, honest and trustworthy. God's precepts are the foundations for upright living, thus He has purposed to put a righteous spirit within His people by His words. Think about your own life. Consider one specific way you need to be transformed. In the

heart, write or draw a picture about a specific way God can help you become holy.

Think:

What kind of transformation is the Lord working in your life?

Act: Purpose to read God's Word and pray to Him daily with an open heart and an eager spirit, ready and willing to seek and do His will.

Pray:

Use the space below to write a prayer asking God to open our hearts and minds to the cleansing power of His word: