

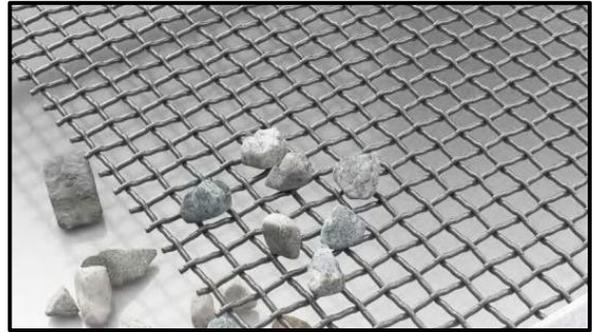


Tighten the Sieve

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CORE CONCEPT:

LIFESTYLE ADJUSTMENTS due to ADDICTION ATTITUDES & BEHAVIOURS are Like a Series of Rocks to be Removed in Our Lives.

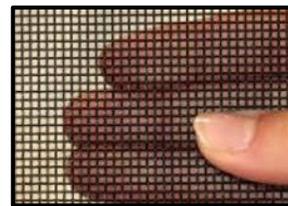
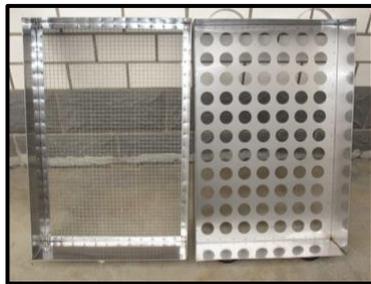


SIZE OF ROCKS TO DEAL WITH

- BEDROCK – Blasting to get it out!
- Boulders – Jackhammer apart to break them down to manageable sizes
- Rocks - Picking Rocks in the Prairies
- Gravel Pit – Massive Sieves that determine the size of rock they are targeting. 1", 2" etc
- Stones – RAKING STONES in my orchard.
- Gravel – in concrete,
- Pebbles
- Sand
- VERY Fine Sand



TIGHTEN THE SIEVE – The size of rock you let through.



The Process of Sanctification

- the action of making or declaring something holy.
- the action or process of being freed from sin or purified.
- to free from sin: purify.
- to set apart to a sacred purpose

SIEVE - an instrument with a meshed or perforated bottom, used for separating coarse from fine parts of loose matter, for straining liquids, etc., especially one with a circular frame and fine meshes or perforations.

SIFT - put (a fine, loose, or powdery substance) through a sieve so as to remove lumps or large particles.

Synonyms: Strain, Refine, Filter, Screen, Purge, Freeing Up

CLEANSE – Make thoroughly clean

PURIFY - remove contaminants from.

Some Relevant Scripture:

Therefore, since we have these promises, dear friends, let us **purify** ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God. 2 Cor. 7:1

¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. ¹² It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, ¹³ while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to **purify** for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good. Titus 2:11-14

Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and **purify** your hearts, you double-minded. James 4:8

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and **purify** us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears,^[a] we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. ³ All who have this hope in him **purify** themselves, just as he is pure. 1 John 3:2-4

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SIFT

Luke 22:31 - “Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to **sift** all of you as wheat.

CLEANSE

²⁰ In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for special purposes and some for common use. ²¹ Those who **cleanse** themselves from the latter will be instruments for special purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work. ²² Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. 2 Timothy 2:20-22

Psalms 51:7 - **Cleanse** me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to **cleanse** us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Hebrews 10:22