

VEHICLE

IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR EACH ROOM/AREA YOU DECLUTTER/CLEAN... If you haven't needed it, worn it, looked at it, or used it in a year (6 months if you really want to be ruthless) than GET RID OF IT! Quit keeping them *INCASE*... Jesus may come back before you use them, so bless someone else and give them away!

The following is a list of ideas that might help in cleaning out your vehicle:

- Take all the garbage out first! Have a garbage bag handy for garbage, and one for any clothing items that need to be washed inside. Have a "Keeper" box to bring in the house that you'll need to go through later, as well as a "Sale/Give Away" bag.
- Go through the glove compartment and any other nooks and crannies in the vehicle (under the seats, pockets behind the driver and passenger's seats, etc.)
- If you have car seats, take them out. It's amazing what can be found *under* one of those! If you have the option to take off the cover and wash it, you might want to do that as well. Since we're coming into warmer weather here, I will also need to be adjusting the straps on these for my little ones for the less bulky coats they'll be wearing.
- If it's too cold or too time consuming to shampoo your vehicle, then take a hand held broom and literally sweep the dirt out. It really is amazing how nice the vehicle can look just by doing that, and it's so much easier than vacuuming it out (I choose to shampoo it with my "Little Green Machine" instead of vacuuming and "kill two birds with one stone).
- Using Armor All makes everything look new in a vehicle, so I love to use this!
- Be sure to wash the windows *AFTER* you use the Armor All... if you wash the windows before you use Armor All, it leaves your clean windows messy.
- An air freshener is a nice touch when you've finished.
- Don't forget the outside! It'll be up to you weather you let the kiddos wash the outside or not. It's still too cold here so I'm going to take them to the car wash as a "treat" when we're done (why do they think it's so special?).
- Now that it's all clean, ask yourself if you have an emergency kit in there... they're not a bad idea to have (even if you have a cell phone). You might want to put that on your Cleaning List to remind you to pick one up at the store next time you're shopping... you can always make your own as well. We have a tote we keep in the back of our suburban that includes a pillow and blanket, tools, tow rope, the hand held broom I use to clean it out, and a first aid kit.
- Step back and pat yourself on the back! Great job! **"X"** it out on the **"Clean Heart, Clean Home Challenge" At A Glance Calendar!**