

There are people selling laundry soap claiming its is better. They say it has no fillers like, clay. Is there a purpose for clay in the soap?

"Fuller's Earth:

is clay or a silty clay material containing over half silica, valued for its decolorizing properties. **Fuller's earth absorbs dark organic matter from fats, oils, and greases.** First used to "full" **or degrease** woolen cloth, fuller's earth is used to bleach mineral and vegetable oils. It has the greasy feel of clay and usually breaks up in water. Color varies from white to yellow, brown, and blue."—GG *Rocks And Minerals*. H.S. Zim & P.R. Shaffer. pg. 152. par. 1.

"Bentonite.

First developed, like fuller's earth, for bleaching, has turned out to have even more important uses. **It is used in soaps and washing compounds** and is added to clays to increase their plasticity. Some bentonite, used as an aid in well drilling, expands and seals off water-bearing sands. Other varieties swell little when wet. Bentonite is also used for paper filler and in adhesives. It is a mixture of at least two aluminum and magnesium silicate minerals, and is usually regarded as weathered volcanic ash."—GG *Rocks And Minerals*. H.S. Zim & P.R. Shaffer. pg. 152. par. 2.

In other words, clay is added to Laundry soap to remove oils and greases and carry them away from the clothing. :)

Malachi. 3:1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the **messenger of the covenant**, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.

3:2 But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and **like fullers' soap:**

3:3 And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.

Isa. 1:16 **Wash you, make you clean;** put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;

1:17 Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

Eph. 5:26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water **by the word,**

