

Beatitudes: The Pure in Heart

Matthew 5:8



**Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall
see God.**

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A Loaded Statement

- Pure = Clean (as in the OT laws about “clean and unclean”)
- Jesus calls for us to be pure IN HEART

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What A Pure Heart Is and Isn't

- Heart: control center for all of life
- Pure: free of imperfection
- A pure heart is necessary to come into God's presence (Psalm 24:3-4)
- Heart purity comes from inside us, not outside us
- Having pure hearts sets us free to love God and others

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Becoming Pure in Heart

- The only way to get a pure heart is for God to create it in you
- Having a pure heart doesn't mean we never sin again - our fight with sin continues as long as we're alive
- Having pure hearts sets us free to be ourselves in all our relationships

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The Promise to the Pure in Heart

- They shall see God
- When we see Him, we will become like Him (1 John 3:2)
- Happens fully in eternity and partially now
- How to see God today:
 1. His works
 2. His Word
 3. His Son

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