

**The Beatitudes**  
**Blessed Are The Pure In Heart**  
**Matthew 5:8**

**Introduction**

Today our lesson comes from verse 8 – Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God. It is relatively easy to change the way we appear outside without a real change of heart inside. For the most part, being religious is mostly about external appearances, but true Christianity is about transforming a person's heart and purifying their life.

1. Outward appearances may give us a picture of the human will, but only God knows your true \_\_\_\_\_.
2. We cannot change, reform, or improve our human hearts to become like \_\_\_\_\_ heart.
3. The human heart is utterly \_\_\_\_\_.
4. No amount of self-help can change the human \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The only way our human heart can \_\_\_\_\_ is for God to give us a new one!

**I. A Pure Heart**

6. God's goal is not to reform the manners of society but to change the hearts of \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Everything about you is \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
8. From the heart flow all the issues of \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The heart is physically necessary to a quality life; it is utterly crucial spiritually to \_\_\_\_\_ life.
10. Jesus came into the world because we have corrupt and evil hearts that, without His help, are eternally \_\_\_\_\_.

11. When Jesus uses the phrase 'pure in heart, he's not talking about the \_\_\_\_\_ organ that pumps blood through your body.
12. The Hebrew Torah describes the heart in the great commandment "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart." – and then defines what it means by heart – "your soul, your mind and your \_\_\_\_\_."
13. The commandment was to love God with your whole being; \_\_\_\_\_, mentally, and physically.
14. Every person has a will and can decide between doing what honors God in the spiritual realm or what exalts \_\_\_\_\_ in the physical realm.
15. According to Jesus, a person's own \_\_\_\_\_ will ultimately determine where they will go and what they will do.
16. Emotions may be touched or the mind challenged, but the heart can remain \_\_\_\_\_.
17. The pure in heart come to God in genuine \_\_\_\_\_, and it becomes their will to do what God wills.
18. A believer's inner motivation comes from the life in \_\_\_\_\_ through the breath of the Holy Spirit.
19. Christ \_\_\_\_\_ your heart and helps you do the right things for the right reasons.
20. Christ promises the pure in heart will \_\_\_\_\_ God!

## **II. Seeing God**

21. To see God means to be allowed into his \_\_\_\_\_ and to see from God's perspective.
22. Seeing God means being \_\_\_\_\_ by his glory and holiness.

23. Most of our spiritual sight comes through the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
24. Seeing God means being comforted by his \_\_\_\_\_.
25. The \_\_\_\_\_ in heart have no problem seeing God at work in their lives.
26. The vision of God causes a definite shift in the direction of our \_\_\_\_\_.
27. God's ways become our ways, and we acquire an intense sense of spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.
28. The pure in heart can also see the work of Christ in \_\_\_\_\_.
29. The pure in heart have a view of God in all of the \_\_\_\_\_.
30. The pure in heart see Jesus as the \_\_\_\_\_ word of God, the spiritual manna from heaven. – The Bread of Life!
31. Seeing God is a view that stretches beyond the \_\_\_\_\_ world to the eternal world.

### **III. The Blessing**

32. We are blessed because the Almighty God has touched our lives with His \_\_\_\_\_.
33. When your soul connects with God, you are truly \_\_\_\_\_!
34. The blessing of God quenches the thirst of the \_\_\_\_\_.
35. The blessing of God provides \_\_\_\_\_ that keeps you from boredom.

36. In God, there is a blessing and goodness that delights the soul even during the \_\_\_\_\_ of life, and the joy in God's blessing is perfect.

## Conclusion

Who are the pure in heart? Dietrich Bonhoeffer said, "Only those who have surrendered their hearts completely to Jesus that he may reign in them alone. Only those whose hearts are undefiled by their own evil—and by their own virtues too." (*Dietrich Bonhoeffer The Cost of Discipleship*)

A pure heart loves God with the whole heart - your soul, mind, and strength. Our love is not divided. It has no rival. The pure in heart are blessed because they see God. To see God is to recognize God and be able to stand before him, knowing you are accepted in his presence. Do you have a pure heart? Because "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

## ANSWERS

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| 1. Motives      | 23. Word       |
| 2. God's        | 24. Grace      |
| 3. Corrupt      | 25. Pure       |
| 4. Heart        | 26. Priorities |
| 5. Change       | 27. Purpose    |
| 6. Sinners      | 28. Others     |
| 7. Visible      | 29. Earth      |
| 8. Life         | 30. Living     |
| 9. Eternal      | 31. Material   |
| 10. Lost        | 32. Goodness   |
| 11. Physical    | 33. Blessed    |
| 12. Strength    | 34. Soul       |
| 13. Spiritually | 35. Variety    |
| 14. Man         | 36. trials     |
| 15. Decisions   |                |
| 16. Unchanged   |                |
| 17. Repentance  |                |
| 18. Christ      |                |
| 19. Purifies    |                |
| 20. See         |                |
| 21. Presence    |                |
| 22. Awestruck   |                |