

Beatitude #6
“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God”

Matthew 5:8

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The Beatitudes & Attitudes. Matthew 5:3-12.

1. Blessed are the **poor in spirit**, for theirs is the **kingdom of God ...Humility**
2. Blessed are those that **mourn**, for they shall be **comforted ...Repentance**
3. Blessed are the **meek**, for they shall **inherit the earth ... Gentleness**
4. **Blessed** are those who **hunger and thirst for righteousness**, for they shall be **filled ...Obedience**
5. Blessed are the merciful for they shall receive mercy ... **Forgiveness**
6. **Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God ...Integrity**
7. Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God...
Reconciliation
8. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven ... **Courage**

Let me read a letter to you and ponder a moment about how you might feel.

I want to talk about Beatitude 6 today, specifically the heart and our relationship with God.

Blessed:

To be biblically blessed means living in God’s favor and alignment, with deep assurance that He is with you—no matter the circumstances.

Heart:

Translated from the Greek word “kardia”, from which we get “cardiac” and similar terms (e.g. cardi = heart, ology > the study of). Metaphorically, it encompasses the inner person, motives, attitudes, and the center of one’s personality.

Pure:

Derived from the Greek word “katharos” from which we get the word catharsis. Meaning to make pure by cleansing, removing dirt and contamination.

1 Samuel 16:6-7 The Lord looks...

Romans 10:9 Believe...

James 4:8 Purify...

1 John 1:9 If we confess...

Matthew 23:25-26 Woe...

Group questions:

- In the last 30 days, when and where have you “seen” God? What did you see? How did you know it was Him?
- Have you had struggles that changed the course of your life? If not, could an unexpected challenge be ahead of you... the unknown?
- Would it be wise to change the trajectory of your life now (purify your heart) to prepare for an upcoming struggle you didn’t see coming?
- How do you perceive an unexpected struggle? Is it there to punish you or could God place it in your life to teach and purify you?

Even the thought of divorce brings on stress. I tend to worry about how this will impact me financially, emotionally and spiritually. But, when I calm down from those kinds of thoughts, I try to concentrate more on:

Matthew 6:25-26

“Are you not much more valuable?”

I want to bring this back to where we started. **“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.”**

Psalm 51:10 Create in me...

Hebrews 9:27 Just as people are destined...

Proverbs 4:23

“Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.”

So, whatever you are walking through — guard your heart. Because the man who keeps his heart clean will see God. And that is worth everything.