

Blessed are the Pure in Heart

Matt.5:8

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“ Blessed are the Pure in Heart,
For they shall see God.”

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Introduction: Postures and Practices of the Heart Matt 5:3-7

A true follower of Christ ___something
before ____ something.

Chilling Words “ You have a Heart _____.”

Definition of _____: Center of the inner life of the person, where all the spiritual forces and functions have their origin.

Definition of _____: Clean, free from pollution (Ivory Soap)

similar to: sincere or purified by shaking in a sieve

Who was the original audience?

Disciples, crowds, tax collectors, soldiers, Pharisees, Sadducees
(People who were coming to John)

How would the original audience have heard this statement?

_____ Matt 7:28

What's God's _____ of our hearts?

“ The heart is deceitful above all things,
And desperately sick;
Who can understand it?” Jer.17:9

If this is God's View of our Hearts, How do we get a Pure Heart?

“ I will remove the heart of _____ from their flesh and
Give them a heart of _____, “ Ez.11:19

_____ of Regeneration

_____ in Justification--To be declared righteous by faith (Gen. 15:6)

Focus of Communion

“ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...” 1 Pet.1:3

The _____ of The Story

Sanctification-- Set _____ By and For God

“ That they may walk in my statutes and keep my rules and obey them. They shall be my people, and I will be their God.” Ez.11:20

“ Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.”
Prov.4:23

“ Who shall dwell on your holy hill? “ Ps.15
_____ characteristics

What would _____ if internal and external were reversed for a day?

“ Woe to you, Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence.” Matt. 23:25

Ignoring the internal and focusing on the externals leads to disillusionment and thinking that _____ is not the answer.

The Result of a Pure Heart: “ You will see God “

When?

In what sense? The “ stand back and look test”