

THE (BE)ATTITUDES

"The (BE)Attitude of Purity"
Matthew 5:8
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Our Attitude: Purity – Pure in heart

The Center – Our heart

- 1) It is our character Proverbs 27:3; 4:23
- 2) It is corrupt & contaminated Proverbs 20:9; Jeremiah 17:9-10; Romans 2:5; Matthew 15:19; Mark 7:15, 21
- 3) It is capable but only by coming to Jesus Psalm 51:10; Romans 5:5; Ezekiel 36:25-26

The Challenge - Control

- 1) We compare
- 2) We compromise James 4:4
- 3) We comfort
- 4) We calculate (justify)
- 5) We conform to the culture
- 6) We are casual & careless
- 7) We play charades (outward appearance)

The Condition – Purity

- 1) It is clean Psalm 24:3-5
- 2) It is consecrated James 4:8; Psalm 86:11; Jeremiah 32:39
- 3) It is not conformed but transformed outside Romans 12:1-2
- 4) It is confessional James 4:8

Our Assurance & Hope: They will see God

The certainty & continuity Exodus 33:18; Psalm 42:1; Job 42:5

Our Application: The Marks

- 1) A consistent heart Matthew 5:48
- 2) A chasing heart Psalm 27:4 (NCV & LB)
- 3) A captured & captivated heart
- 4) A convicted and changed heart
- 5) A celebrative heart

Response Questions:

- 1. What does it mean to have a pure heart today? Is it really even possible to be pure today in the filthy world we live in?
- 2. Why should we desire to be pure? What difference does that make in our lives?
- 3. Is there a cost or price of being pure? Is it worth the price to be pure?
- 4. What does it mean that they will see God? Why should we desire to see God? How does this change us?
- 5. As you look at the marks what is one or two of these that are missing or need adjustment in your life? How can & will you do that this week?