

Family Faith Guide

The Beatitudes – Week 6

Blessed Are the Pure in Heart

Matthew 5:8



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

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Big Idea

A pure heart is a clean heart that is becoming an undivided heart—and the promise of Jesus is that those who possess such a heart will see God.



The Heart Matters

- The heart is the deepest center of who we are—our desires, thoughts, motives, and will.
- God looks deeper than outward appearance and sees the heart.
- What rules the heart eventually shapes the whole life.
- Scripture: 1 Samuel 16:7; Luke 6:45; Proverbs 4:23.



The Problem with the Heart

- Our greatest problem is not only around us, but within us.
- The heart is deceitful and naturally produces sinful thoughts and actions.
- We cannot fix the stream by cleaning the water downstream; the source must be changed.
- Scripture: Jeremiah 17:9; Mark 7:21.



A Pure Heart Is a Clean Heart

- A clean heart is not achieved by trying harder; it is God's work in us.
- In Christ, sins are forgiven, guilt is removed, and we are clothed in His righteousness.
- God gives His people a new heart with new desires.
- Scripture: Psalm 51:10; Isaiah 53:6; Ezekiel 36:26.



A Pure Heart Is an Undivided Heart

- Purity of heart does not mean sinless perfection; it means single-hearted devotion to God.
- A divided heart tries to hold onto competing loyalties.
- A pure heart wants God more than anything else and presses on toward Him.
- Scripture: James 4:8; Matthew 6:22; Philippians 3:12–14.



Bible Examples

- David prayed, "Create in me a clean heart, O God." (Psalm 51:10)
- Elijah challenged Israel not to limp between two opinions. (1 Kings 18:21)
- Paul pursued one great goal—knowing Christ. (Philippians 3:12–14)
- Bob Edens' restored sight pictures how grace gives us new eyes to see God's beauty.



Talk About It

1. What does Jesus mean by "pure in heart"?
2. What are some ways our hearts become divided?
3. How does Christ cleanse and reshape the heart?
4. What does it mean to "see God" now, and one day face-to-face?



Family Challenge

This week, practice a daily "heart check." Pray Psalm 51:10 each morning. Ask God to reveal one competing loyalty, surrender it to Him, and choose one simple step each day to seek Him with an undivided heart.



Prayer

Father, thank You for the promise that the pure in heart shall see You. Cleanse my heart through Christ, give me new desires, and make my heart undivided in love for You. Teach me to seek You above every competing loyalty and to walk in the joy of Your presence. In Jesus' name, amen.



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Because Jesus makes our hearts clean,
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Kingdom Path

1. Poor in spirit — I know I need God.
2. Those who mourn — I am sorry for my sin.
3. The meek — I let God be in charge.
4. The merciful — I forgive and show mercy to others.
5. The pure in heart — I love God most.



What Does 'Pure in Heart' Mean?

- It means loving God more than anything else.
- It means asking Jesus to make my heart clean.
- It means being honest with God and not pretending.
- It means wanting what is right and good.



Bible Examples

- David prayed, "Create in me a clean heart, O God." (Psalm 51:10)
- Elijah told God's people to stop limping between two opinions. (1 Kings 18:21)
- Paul kept pressing on to know Christ. (Philippians 3:12-14)



Talk About It

1. What does "pure in heart" mean?
2. What are some things that can pull our hearts away from God?
3. How can Jesus help make our hearts clean?
4. What is one way you can love God first this week?



Family Challenge

This week, do a daily "heart check." Ask God to show
you anything taking first place in your heart. Then
choose one simple way each day to love God first.



Prayer

Dear Jesus, thank You for loving me. Please make my heart clean
and help me love You most of all. Teach me to follow You with
all my heart. Amen.

