

**Sermon Title:** Psalms: From the Heart, Part XXIX 9.20.2026

**Themes:** God's purity and our calling. Live-streaming and sermon notes are at [trinitycg.org](http://trinitycg.org).

**Focus Question:** Are you seeking more of you or more of God?

**Introduction:** Psalm 24 celebrates the inauguration of the capture of Jerusalem. The character of God's people is determined by the character of God, and His foundational requirement is purity. We are called to have clean hands (outward focus), a pure heart (inward focus), not be prideful (inward focus), and not be a liar (outward focus). God owns it all, He calls us to holiness, He blesses those who seek Him, and He is the one, true King.

**Sermon Points:**

### 1. God owns everything.

**Psalm 24:1-3.** Nothing ultimately belongs to us. We don't truly own our possessions, position, family, talents, and even our own lives. Everything belongs to the Lord. That should change how we live because we are stewards rather than owners.

**Psalm 50:10 For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.** God owns the cattle on a thousand hills, and He owns the thousand hills. If God owns *everything*, I can trust Him with *anything*.

### 2. God requires clean hands and a pure heart.

**Psalm 24:4.** God isn't merely interested in what we do *for* Him; He's first and foremost concerned with who we are *in* Him. Clean hands speak to our actions. A pure heart speaks to our motives. Notice the connection to truth: what we worship and what we say matter.

We cannot live outwardly for God while inwardly embracing falsehood. God looks for *integrity* on the inside before *authenticity* on the outside.

### 3. God blesses those who seek His face.

**Psalm 24:5-6.** There's a difference between seeking God's *hand* and seeking God's *face*. We often come to God because we want something from Him. Psalm 24 calls us to go deeper. We should want Him. The blessing isn't merely getting what we requested. The greatest blessing is knowing the One we're seeking. Don't just seek what God can give you. Seek God Himself.

### 4. The King of Glory deserves to be welcomed.

**Psalm 24:7-10.** The point of Psalm 24 is not man ascending to God but that the King coming to us. David asks, **"Who is this King of glory?"** The answer is magnificent. **Psalm 24:8, 10.** When the sovereign King of glory and victory arrives, the gates must open and everything makes room for Him.

Notice the four key points:

1. God owns it all: The entire world and beyond.
2. God calls us to holiness: Clean hands and a pure heart.
3. God blesses those who seek Him: Seek His face before you seek His hands.
4. God comes as the King of Glory: His presence is as unmistakable as it is rightful.

Psalm 24 begins with the declaration that the earth belongs to the Lord and ends with the proclamation that He is the King of glory.

**Reflection:** Lord, may I always remember that You own everything and are guiding my life according to Your plan.