

BLESSED ARE THE
PURE IN HEART



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God.

Matthew 5:8 (NIV)



It is important to note that the Sermon on the Mount is **descriptive** before it is **prescriptive**. It describes what the Christian **is** before talking of what the Christian **should do**. For Jesus, obedience grows out of blessedness; the statement of our condition precedes the demands of our discipleship.

—Ian D. Campbell, *Opening up Matthew*



What is a Pure Heart?



Pure Heart: a heart that longs and seeks for
God in all things



**Purity of Heart is Desiring to do the Right
Thing for the Right Reason**



Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place? The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god. They will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from God their Savior. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, God of Jacob.

Psalms 24:3-6 (NIV)



How do we get a Pure Heart?



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Psalms 24:5-6 (NIV)



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Nothing defeats sin like a fresh revelation of Jesus Christ.



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