

“The Recipe for True Happiness: **Purity** in **Heart**”

Matthew 5:8

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I. The **Definition**

a. The Heart is the **Place** of **Thinking**

Proverbs 23:7 “For as he thinketh in his heart, so *is* he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart *is* not with thee.”

Matthew 9:4 “And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, **Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?**”

Genesis 6:5 “And GOD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually.”

b. The Heart is the **Home** of the **Will**

Matthew 6:21 “**For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.**”

Acts 8:21 ““Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.”

Psalms 57:7 “My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise.”

c. The Heart is the Control Center for **Emotion** and **Desires**

Luke 24:32 “And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?”

Romans 1:24 “Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves:”

II. The **Examples**

III. The **Command**

1 Peter 1:15-16 “But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; <sup>16</sup> Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.”

1 Corinthians 6:18 “Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.”

2 Corinthians 10:5 “Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;”

Ephesians 4:29 “Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.”

1 Corinthians 10:31 “Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.”

Proverbs 4:23 “Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.”

IV. The **Promise**

- a. The Pure in Heart See God through **Faith** Now

Psalm 34:8 “O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.”

- b. The Pure in Heart Will See God **Physically** in the Life to Come

2 Corinthians 4:6 “For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.”

Job 19:26-27 “And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: <sup>27</sup> Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me.”

#### V. The **Application**

- a. Be **Humble**

- b. Be **Repentant**

Psalm 51:10 “Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?”

- c. Be **Studios**

John 15:3 “**Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.**”

- d. Be **Controlled**

Galatians 5:16 “*This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.”

- e. Be **Praying**

John 17:24 “**Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.**”