REVIVE CHURCH— ANOINTING 9 PURITY

Matthew 5:8-"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

This is an incredible promise. The blessing of a purity is seeing God! How will we see Him? He will continually reveal (bring revelation) Himself. He alone can wake us up and enlighten our hearts so that we can behold Him. We cannot go where God wants to take us outside of His purity which gives us sight. As we have been studying the anointing and the fear of God, we must understand that He will only rest on what is purified by Him.

Psalm 24:3-6 (NKJV) 3 Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place? 4 He who has clean hands and a pure heart, Who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, Nor sworn deceitfully. 5 He shall receive blessing from the LORD, And righteousness from the God of his salvation. 6 This [is] Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, Who seek Your face. Selah

Three facets of purity (Jesus paid the price to give us all three)

<u>1 John 1:7 (NKJV)</u> But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Jesus blood cleanses or purifies us!

Spiritual Purity — **Pure Heart** Focus: Inner motives and devotion (what we love).

- Purity in Scripture isn't just about avoiding wrongdoing but about having an undivided heart wholehearted love and loyalty to God.
- Example: Psalm 86:11"Unite my heart to fear Your name"
- James 4:8 says, "Purify your hearts, you double-minded."
- This speaks to inner singleness of devotion rather than divided affections. Spiritual purity means having a heart completely devoted to God.

Moral Purity — Clean Hands Focus: on what we do.

- This refers to being free from sin in our actions, speech, and choices.
- It's about living uprightly, obeying God's commands, and walking in integrity
- Moral purity means living rightly in what we do.
- **3.** Ceremonial Purity Clean Before God Focus: Ritual and worship (how we approach God).
 - In the Old Testament, ceremonial purity involved laws about clean and unclean—ritual washings, foods, and contact with blood or death.

- It symbolized the need for holiness to stand in God's presence.
- Example: "Be holy, for I am holy" (Leviticus 11:44).
- In the New Testament, these outward symbols point to the inner cleansing provided by Christ's blood (Hebrews 9:13–14). Ceremonial purity represents being made clean to draw near to God.

Jesus purity is purposed to purify our spirit, soul and flesh. It is the triune touch of a Triune God!

Hebrews 12:14 (NKJV) Pursue peace with all [people,] and <u>holiness</u>, <u>without which no one</u> <u>will see the Lord:</u>

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God is a two-fold promise. Part of the promise is reserved for another day when those purified by the blood of Jesus will cross over to the eternal Kingdom of God and see Him fully. The other part of the promise is reserved for today (blessed are) as those who are pure in heart will enter into a depth of His love and revelation that those not committed to purity will not see.

The heart is the the center and seat of spiritual life, the soul or mind, as it is the fountain and seat of the thoughts, passions, desires, appetites, affections, purposes, endeavors, it is where our understanding our will and character are formed. God wants our hearts purified for His purposes. You can't purify your own heart, that is a work of God.

Sanctification Begins with salvation it is Gods process of setting you apart and making you more like Jesus.

Hebrews 13:12 (NKJV) Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate.

<u>Sanctification is a both a divine touch (encounter) and it's a process we yield to.</u> God purifies what He sanctifies.

In Leviticus: Sanctification required BOTH blood and oil

1. Blood = Cleansing, Atonement, Access

Blood represented: Forgiveness, Cleansing from sin, Removal of impurity to Allow access into God's presence

- Leviticus 8:14–15 blood was placed on the altar to make atonement during priestly consecration.
- Leviticus 8:23–24 blood applied to Aaron and his sons (ear, thumb, toe).

- Leviticus 16 blood in the Holy of Holies for atonement.
- Blood always came first because impurity had to be removed before anything could be set apart for God.

2. Oil = Consecration, Empowerment, Setting Apart

Oil represented: The Holy Spirit, Consecration, Empowerment for service, God's approval and commission

- Leviticus 8:10–12 Moses anoints the tabernacle and Aaron with oil.
- Leviticus 14 oil is applied to the healed leper after blood, symbolizing restoration and empowerment.
- Oil always came after blood because the Spirit fills what has been cleansed.

The spiritual pattern: Blood then Oil

In Leviticus, everything sanctified followed this order:

- 1. Cleansed by blood
- 2. Consecrated with oil

This is God's divine pattern-Jesus blood poured out for us on the cross followed by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all who believed. The Holy Spirit will not come inside you until the blood of Jesus is applied by faith to save you.

- Blood of Christ cleanses us (Hebrews 9:12–14)
- The Holy Spirit anoints us (1 John 2:20, Acts 10:38)
- Pentecost follows the cross (Acts 2 after Acts 1)

Jesus doesn't just want you saved from a ceremonial sense, He wants you filled with the Holy Spirit, rooted in intimacy and useful for the Kingdom of God. A holy vessel set apart for His purpose. (2 Tim. 2:21)

The same God who saves you wants to fill you with His presence and anoint you for ministry. Sanctification is both instant and process. <u>Think of marriage</u>. <u>There is the day you were consecrated and set apart from all others to marry your spouse and there is the ongoing maturity in that marriage</u>.

There is the scriptural understanding that being saved or born again and being filled with the Holy Spirit are two distinct events. Yes, we receive the Holy Spirit when we put our trust in Jesus Christ, but we are filled when we are at the point of complete yieldedness to the Lord Jesus Christ and baptized, or immersed by the Spirit of God!

Historically those in the holiness movement specifically John Wesley emphasized
that after being born again the Spirit of God would bring revelation to our heart
that there was a deeper work of grace that God wanted to do that would sanctify
the man and woman with the holiness of God through and through in order to
purify completely.

 Classic Pentecostalism emphasized <u>three works the Holy Spirit</u>. Salvation, Sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Spirit for power.

Many men and women of God throughout the years emphasized the subsequent work of the Holy Spirit following initial salvation or justification, just to name a couple more DL Moody, Andrew Murray Many of the early Church Fathers clearly taught that the reception or fullness of the Holy Spirit is a distinct experience that follows salvation/initial faith,

The church must remain a place that yields to the Holy Spirit. These encounters touch the deepest part so that you are enabled to live out the lifestyle of Jesus. It is argued what the evidence of being sanctified and Spirit filled should look like? The true evidence of being full of the Holy Spirit in purity and power is a life that replicates Jesus!

We need Holy Spirit to continue His perfect work of sanctifying us by His Power through discipleship and mighty counters.

There is more than what you currently have and only God can give it to you but you must position yourselves in a place to receive it!

- To attempt to live out a life of power and purity without a touch of God is impossible. This is not something you can do apart from Him, it is accomplished in abiding! How God does it, His timing, your readiness etc. can be different with each person.
- We see in the life of Jesus Christ the Spirit given without measure. (John 3:34) He walked in absolute purity (He committed no sin) and modeled Kingdom power. Both the gifts and the fruits were fully alive in Him. He

Is it possible that many are not ascending the hill of the Lord because they are not rooted in purity and are not placing their all in the hands of the One who sanctifies. These who will choose to walk in purity and power will not lose sight of His face.

As our hearts become pure we will be able to see more clearly. I don't believe God is just talking about having sin purged from you, rather a heart transplant that empowers us to see Him as He really is so we can see ourselves as His beloved. Psalm 24 is an invitation to come up the mountain, to be so rooted in His purity that we see what He sees, hear what He hears. It is having the fullness of Christ through the Holy Spirit as He sanctifies, fills and inhabits our hearts.

<u>Isaiah 33:14</u> Sinners in Zion are terrified; Trembling has seized the godless. "<u>Who among us</u> can live with the consuming fire?

Who among us can live with continual burning?" ¹⁵ He who walks righteously and speaks with sincerity, He who rejects unjust gain

And shakes his hands so that they hold no bribe; He who stops his ears from hearing about bloodshed And shuts his eyes from looking upon evil; ¹⁶He will dwell on the heights, His refuge will be the impregnable rock; His bread will be given him, His water will be sure. ¹⁷ Your eyes will see the King in His beauty; They will behold a far-distant land.

God has posed the question who? Who will ascend into the hill of the Lord and stand in His holy place? Who can live with the consuming fire, who among us can live with continual burning?

He then gives us The Who. They will have a pure heart and walks in righteousness!

Home group question

- 1. Discuss the blessedness of a pure heart that allows us to see God? What does this mean for us and how do we maintain a life of purity?
- 2. Discuss the power of Jesus blood to cleanse and make us holy as well as our participation in living out a life of holiness.
- 3. Personally how have you been marked by purity and holiness? Can you point back to an encounter or moment with God that changed everything where Jesus cleansed you and filled you with His holy fire?
- 4. How does seeing God change everything? How would you explain seeing God?