

CHOSEN 2
Blessed Are The Pure In Heart
Matthew 5:8
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Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
Matthew 5:8 NIV

God gives Abraham His promise and Abraham believed God and God made him righteous.

Then he believed in the Lord; and He credited it to him as righteousness.
Genesis 15:6 NIV

Video clip 1: Mary returns to her old life

“He already fixed me once and I broke again,” says Mary.

Pure In Heart

Purity implies clean, not soiled. Of a person or thing it means nothing added in, without alloy, without mixture of pollution.

So a pure heart does not mean always pure, but that it has been made pure.

How do we stay clean?

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9 NIV

If we confess

He is faithful to do what He had promised

He is just and pays the debt for us

He forgives us, passes the debt on to Jesus

He purifies us by removing the sin and leaves us clean, righteous

No one but God can make us clean.

Video 2: Mary struggles with Jesus' forgiveness

Jesus, "I forgive you. It is over."

Confession reveals the power of God in our life to clean us up and restore our relationship with Jesus this very moment.

When we confess it is nothing short of a miracle of God at work in our lives.

We can see God in His Creation

For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

Romans 1:20 NIV

We can see God in His Church

So then you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, 20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord, 22 in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

Ephesians 2:19-22 NAS

We can see God in the stillness

"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

Psalm 46:10 NIV

We can see God on the Horizon

We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. 3 And everyone who has this hope set on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure. 1 John 3:1-3 NAS

So when you live in relationship with Jesus and He keeps your heart pure you will be a walking testimony of the good news.

But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from a sincere faith. 1 Timothy 1:5 NAS

We walk by faith in the Son of God who loved us and gave His life for the payment of our sin.