

Questions for Pure in Heart

Matthew 5:8

Warm Up

- 1) Describe a time when you were dirty from head to foot.

Explore

- 2) What was different in the way Jesus was calling for our purity from the way Jewish religious leaders were teaching people? Why had this become such a significant issue? How is it an issue in our own culture today?
- 3) Why does purity matter to God, and why does the Bible put so much emphasis on it?
- 4) What have been some of the consequences in your own life when you wrestled with personal purity? Why is living pure framed by Jesus as living the best life possible (“blessed”)?
- 5) How does purity affect our view of God, our relationship with Him, and our understanding of Jesus’ sacrifice on the cross?

Apply

- 6) What spiritual disciplines are most helpful for you as you daily pursue purity? (confession, prayer, reading the Word...)
- 7) One at a time, share the greatest current threats to your own purity (if people are willing). Pray over each other for each other’s purity this week. Take your time with this and try doing it one person at a time. If possible, have the group divide between men and women for this time of prayer.