B. _____, the pure in heart shall see God face to face. They shall see Him as He is and behold "**His face in righteousness.**"

"For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known." (1 Corinthians 13:12)

"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is." (1 John 3:2)

"As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness." (Psalm 17:15)

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

Introduction

PURE: the word means to have a clean heart; to be unsoiled, unmixed, unpolluted; to be cleansed, purged, forgiven; to be holy; to have a single purpose, that of God's glory.

There are several significant points to note about the "pure in heart."

I. THE PERSON WHO IS "PURE IN HEART" LIVES A _____ LIFE

A. He "_____ himself unspotted from the world."

B. He _____ his heart from **wickedness** that he may be saved.

"O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?" (Jeremiah 4:14)

C. He _____ the **truth** through the working of the Holy Spirit

"Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:" (1 Peter 1:22)

D. He _____ his **hands** clean

"**4** He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. **5** He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation." (Psalm 24:4-5)

E. He _____ to be without **spot** and **blameless**

"Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless." (2 Peter 3:14)

II. A PERSON'S VERY BEST **BEHAVIOR** IS SELDOM (IF EVER) FREE FROM SOME MIXTURE OF SELF

"They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one." (Romans 3:12)

Note: The believer is to constantly search his heart and cleanse it of impure motives.

A. Is a person _____ primarily for self, or to serve Christ and to earn enough to help others who have a need?

"Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ." (Colossians 3:24)

"Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth." (Ephesians 4:28)

B. Is a person _____to help the needful, or to have a sense of self-satisfaction?

"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy." (Matthew 5:7)

C. Is a person _____ to honor God, or to satisfy a feeling of obligation?

D. Is a person _____ daily to fellowship with God, or to gain comfortable feelings that pleases God through praying?

"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy." (Matthew 5:7)

Note: Impure motives enter the believer's heart so quietly, so deceptively. That's why David said in Psalm 51:10:

"Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." (Psalm 51:10)

III. THE "PURE IN HEART" **MINISTER** IN TWO VERY PRACTICAL AREAS:

A. They visit the _____

B. They visit _____ in their affliction

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." (James 1:27)

IV. THERE ARE TWO WONDERFUL PROMISES MADE TO THE "PURE IN HEART" vs. 8b

A. _____, the pure in heart shall see God by faith, "**through a glass darkly**"

"For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known." (1 Corinthians 13:12)

and "**endure in the faith**" as already seeing Him who is invisible

"By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible." (Hebrews 11:27)