THE KING'S PEOPLE PART 6: THE PURE IN HEART

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¹⁵ "...Blessed are the people whose God is the Lord!"

Psalm 144:15 (ESV)

Matthew 5:8 (NIV)

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WHO ARE "THE PURE IN HEART?"

⁸ "Blessed are the pure in heart..."

HEART = THE "_____" (INCLUDING OUR MIND, EMOTIONS, WILL, CONSCIENCE)

²² "Jesus knew what they were thinking and asked, 'Why are you thinking these things in your hearts?'" <u>Luke 5:22 (NIV)</u>

⁹ "Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices..." <u>Psalm 16:9 (ESV)</u>

⁷ "... you should give what you have decided in your heart to give..." <u>2 Corinthians 9:7 (NIV)</u>

²² "...draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience..." <u>Hebrews 10:22 (NIV)</u>

• PURE = _____ OR _____

³ "Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place? ⁴He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. ⁵He will receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation." <u>Psalm 24:3-5 (ESV)</u>

• TO BE PURE IN HEART IS TO HAVE ONLY ONE THING DOMINATE MY INNER

LIFE: THE DESIRE TO BRING GOD ______ BY DOING HIS ______.

HOW ARE "THE PURE IN HEART" BLESSED?

⁸ "... for they shall see God."

• THEY WILL SEE GOD _____ NOW.

³¹ "...For who is God besides the Lord? And who is the Rock except our God? ³² It is God who arms me with strength and keeps my way secure....³⁴ He trains my hands for battle; my arms can bend a bow of bronze. ³⁵ You make your saving help my shield, and your right hand sustains me; your help has made me great. ³⁶ You provide a broad path for my feet, so that my ankles do not give way." <u>Psalm 18:31-36 (NIV)</u>

THEY WILL SEE GOD ______

² "...we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is." <u>1 John 3:2 (NIV)</u>

WHAT MUST WE REPENT OF TO BE "PURE IN HEART?"

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³ "You shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or worship them..." Exodus 20:3-4 (NIV)

HOW DO WE PRACTICE BEING "PURE IN HEART?"

- QUESTION 1: WHAT ______ NEED CLEANED OUT?
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EVERY IMPURITY IS ______ OF AN ______.

• QUESTION 2: WHAT "_____" THINGS ARE PREVENTING ME FROM

PURSUING THE "_____" THINGS?

FOLLOWED BY A _____

⁵ "For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶ and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; ⁷ and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love." 2 Peter 1:5-7 (NIV)

• QUESTION 1: WHAT ______ PROMOTE PURITY?

BOTTOM LINE:

WE HAVE A CHOICE: _____OR ____OR _____OR _____OR _____OR

²¹ "...I warn you, as I did before, that those who live [impure lives] will not inherit the kingdom of God." <u>Galatians 5: 21 (NIV)</u>

NEXT STEPS

- GET STARTED LIFE GROUP
 - One-month LIFE Group that meets at the home of Jeff/Cheryl Lyle. Sign up on the Churchcenter App
- PRACTICE THE HEART-CLEANSE, SOUL-REFILL.