

# **PURSUING PURITY**

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“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.”  
Matthew 5:8

Followers of Christ exemplify purity in the following ways:

## **1. PURE IN HEART**

- A. INTERNAL PURITY PRODUCES EXTERNAL
- B. SIN CORRUPTS OUR HEART
- C. JESUS IS THE ONLY ANSWER

## **COLOSSIANS 3:1**

“Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.”

## **2. PURE IN MIND (Mark 7:21-22)**

- A. Impurity destroys:
  - 1. Thoughts about ourselves
  - 2. Relationship with others
  - 3. Relationship with God
- B. We need to train our minds how to be pure.

## **Romans 12:2**

“Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

## **3. PURE IN ACTIONS**

- A. Actions are determined by our hearts and minds. (what we value will win out over our faith)
- B. Pure actions calls us to live like Christ.
- C. Actions will show us the value of our faith.  
(James 2:17)