

Word on Wednesday Bible Study Blessed From The Inside Out Pastor Kenneth Reece November 1, 2023

Blessed from the Inside Out

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

"Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.." Matthew 6:1

HOW TO DEVELOP A PURE HEART (Mathew 6)

1.	Remember
	"Your Father sees what is done in secret." (vs 4, 6, 18)
	"And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account." Heb 4:13
2.	Review

- "...God knows and judges your motives. He keeps watch over you; <u>He knows</u>. And he will reward you according to what you do!"
- Proverbs 24:21 (GN)
 - Giving (vs. 2-4)
 - Praying (vs 5:15)
 - Fasting (vs. 16-18)

Opposite of "Pure in Heart" (John 12:43)

"We do not aim to please others, but to please God who knows us through and through." 1 Thessalonians 2:4 (Ph)



3.	Realign
	"You shall have no other gods before me." Exodus 20:3
	THREE TESTS:
1.	Look at my
	"Don't pile up treasures on earthbut keep your treasures in heaven. For where your treasure is, <u>your heart</u> will be there too!" Matthew 6:19 (Ph)
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	"Therefore, I tell you, don't worry about your life" Matthew 6:25
2.	Look at my
	"Don't worry about (these things)This is what pagans are <u>always</u> <u>looking for</u> : your Heavenly Father knows you need them. (Instead) <u>Set</u> <u>your heart</u> first on His kingdom and His goodness and all these things will come to you as a matter of course." Matt. 6:31-33 (Ph)
	"Create in me a <u>new, clean heart</u> , O God, filled with clean thoughts and right desires." Psalm 51:10 (LB)