



get started

This past week we celebrated Thanksgiving. What are you especially thankful for in this year?

We have been in the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:1-7) for several weeks. What insights, challenges, and encouragements are you thankful for so far?

reflect

Read Matthew 5:8. The word “pure” means “clean” and carries the concept of being “single-minded.” How is Jesus challenging his disciples? What is the promise he makes?

dig

1. Read Psalm 24 and focus in on verse 4. What is the connection between our actions and the heart behind them? How does that connection affect our relationship with God?
2. Jesus confronted those with divided hearts when he called the religious leaders “whitewashed tombs” (Matthew 23:27). They were “pure” religiously but their hearts were far from God. How did this break happen between their talk and their walk?
3. How can our hearts become divided so that our talk is not reflected by our walk?
4. David prayed for an united heart in Psalms 86:11-12. What was he asking God to do in these verses?
5. What is the promise found in Matthew 5:8?

breakout

Take a moment and think about your heart. Does your heart reflect a pure, singular pursuit of God? Is your heart disconnected from God? What do you need to do today to be that one Jesus describes as being “pure in heart”?
