

Palmetto Baptist Church – *December 4, 2011*
Blessed are the Pure in Heart – *Matthew 5:8*

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

Inside the Text

I. God knows about the condition of your heart.

- A. Your heart is prone to wander. (Deut. 11:16)
- B. Your heart is deceitful. (Jer. 17:9)
- C. Your heart is an idol factory. (Ezekiel 14:1-8)

II. God cares about the condition of your heart.

- A. He offers you a new heart. (Ezekiel 36:26)
- B. He opens your closed heart. (Acts 16:14)
- C. He instructs your darkened heart. (2 Cor. 4:6; Eph. 1:18)
- D. He makes your heart His home. (2 Cor. 1:22; Eph. 3:17)

Apply the Text

- Commit your heart to God. (Romans 10:9; Proverbs 3:5-6)
- Confess the idols of your heart. (Psalm 66:18)
- Claim His power to restore your heart. (Psalm 19:14; 51:10)
- Cling to the cross. (I Peter 3:15)
- Contemplate the beauty of God out of a pure heart. (Matthew 5:8)