

# The Heart of the Matter

Matthew 5:8

*Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.*<sup>1</sup>

## ☐ God is concerned about our heart

1 Samuel 16:7

Matthew 23:25-28

## ☐ What is it to have a pure heart?

- **To live by the rules of God that bring moral purity**

1 Peter 1:13-16

Psalms 119:9-11

- **To be single-minded in our devotion to God**

Psalms 24:3-4

James 4:8

Matthew 22:37

## ☐ What is it to see God?

- **To be admitted into his presence**

Exodus 10:28-29

- **To be amazed by his glory**

Job 42:5-6

- **To be comforted by his grace**

Psalms 27:7-9

*When we follow God's plan, he rewards us with his presence*

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<sup>1</sup> *The Holy Bible: New International Version*. electronic ed. Grand Rapids : Zondervan, 1996, c1984