

East Side Church

Life Notes

Can You See Your Future?

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Matthew 5:8

View Finder: We discover God's design for our life when we experience an intimate relationship with God through hearts that are purified by faith in Jesus Christ.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. —Matthew 5:8 (ESV)

Vision Clarification: When our hearts are purified by faith in Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit guides us to a life where our motives and our actions are consistent.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. —Psalm 24:3-6 (ESV)

Vision Connection: God sent Jesus in order to let us see what He really looks like and offer us a connection with God.

Phillip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves." —John 14:8-11 (ESV)

Vision Creation: When we live in connection with God He continually purifies our hearts so that we see God and others see God in us.

Now in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver but also of wood and clay, some for honorable use, some for dishonorable. Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work. —2 Timothy 2:20-22 (ESV)

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