

<ul><li>The Kingdom of God</li></ul>	is where you find the		of Go
-	vill be done, on earth as it is in hea		
Don't you realize that those who indulge in sexual sin, or homosexuality, or are thieves will inherit the Kingdom of G	can lead us to be tolerant of who do wrong will not inherit the kenth who worship idols, or commit adules, or greedy people, or drunkards, od. Some of you were once like the dolor by calling on the name of the Lo	Kingdom of God? Don't fool your Itery, or are male prostitutes, or or are abusive, or cheat people— at. But you were cleansed; you w	practice - <u>none of these</u> vere made holy;
	matters to the		
Blessed are the pure in heart	, for they will see God. Matthew 5	:8 (NIV)	
What pure in heart does	not mean:		
• Pure in heart is not a	bout being	or	
	ean, undivided and authent oing cleansing process in u		
	fers to ourse, for it determines the course of	·	
	d things from the treasury of a goo leart. What you say flows from wh		-
from the heart come evil th 15:19 (NLT)	ed with your heart than you noughts, murder, adultery, all sexual deceitful of all things, and despera	al immorality, theft, lying, and sla	ander. Matthew
Here's the good news:			
	makes us pure through		·
•	od; <u>he made us pure</u> and holy, and		
	est we can do is modify our		
We can do the	things with the things with th	: "These people honor me with	motives. their lips, but

How terrible for you, teachers of the law and Pharisees! You are hypocrites! You wash the outside of your cups and dishes, but inside they are full of things you got by cheating others and by pleasing only yourselves. Pharisees, you are blind! First make the inside of the cup clean, and then the outside of the cup can be truly clean. How terrible for you, teachers of the law and Pharisees! You are hypocrites! You are like tombs that are painted white. Outside, those tombs look fine, but inside, they are full of the bones of dead people and

all kinds of unclean things. It i you are full of hypocrisy and e	is the same with you. People look at you and th evil. Matthew 23:25-28 (NIV)	nink you are good, but on the inside
	without the	
How the Pharisee's blew i		
	before others was more importan	t than their
law; rather, it is a change of h God, not from people. Romar	neart is right with God. And true circumcision is leart produced by the Spirit. And a person with ns 2:29 (NLT) pearance, but the Lord looks at the heart. 1 Sar	a changed heart seeks praise from
• They	to change themselves rather than	the one
	em. s, and I will be clean. If You wash me, I will be w vithin me a sense of being brand new. Psalm 51	
David understood that i	it's easier to be in	than to
be	•	
	my heart; test me and know my anxious thoug ng the path of everlasting life. Psalm 139:23-24	
How to let God change ou	ır heart:	
	to be fully my heart; test me and know my anxious thoug	
	ourselves rathe offends you, Psalm 139:24a (NLT)	r than manage ourselves.
	God, not the crowd. of everlasting life. Psalm 139:24b (NLT)	
A pure heart produces:  As God makes us clea	an we are able to see God's	around us.
We don't go somewher see God.	e to see God, we	someone that can



## TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

Questions that can be used in Connection Groups: These questions also work well for personal time with God.

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Explain why?
- Discuss the definitions for Pure and Heart. Understanding these definitions, how would you rephrase the beatitude in your own words?
- Why is God more concerned with our heart than our actions? Why is our heart the real problem?
- What does it mean that God makes us pure through Jesus' death? How did that change you?
- Talk about how we can do the right things with the wrong motives. How do the wrong motives defile us? Read Matthew 15:11 (not in your notes) What does this mean?
- Do you agree that we can look the part without the heart? Why is that a danger for us to be aware of?
- Do you think we blow it like the Pharisee's? (Discuss the two points under the sub-heading "How the Pharisee's blew it") Is it easier to be in control rather than to be surrendered? Why?
- How do we open our hearts to be fully known by God, without it being a checklist item?
- Discuss how this kingdom attitude brings strength to our lives?

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Today's Talk..



## **Attitudes of the Kingdom pt.6**

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