

Pure In Heart – April 06, 2011

While meditating on the words and the heart cry of the new song, "Show Yourself Pure," I was reminded of the importance of having a pure heart before the Lord. "Blessed are the *pure* in heart, for they shall see God." (Matt 5:8) "Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? And who may stand in His holy place? He who has *clean* hands and a *pure* heart, who has not lifted up his soul to falsehood and has not sworn deceitfully." (Psa 24:3-4) Jesus is coming for a pure and spotless bride, one who has washed her robe in the blood of the Lamb and has kept herself unspotted from the world.

A few verses came to mind in regards to how we can have this pure heart which is so precious to our God. David addressed this in Psalm 119: "How can a young man keep his way pure? *By keeping it according to Your word.*" He then proceeded to share how we can keep His word: "With *all* my heart I have sought You ... Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You ... I will meditate on Your precepts and regard Your ways. I shall delight in Your statutes; I shall not forget Your word." (Psa 119:9-12, 15-16) By loving God's word and hiding it in our heart, we will find ourselves standing on a solid foundation.

"Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure" (1 Jn 3:2-3) If our hope is fixed on seeing Jesus face to face and being transformed into His image by the power of the Holy Spirit, we will be one who purifies himself.

"Therefore, prepare you minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behaviour; ... Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart." (1 Pet 1:13-14, 22) Here we also see the characteristics of one whose hope is fixed completely on the author and perfecter of our faith and His saving grace to change our hearts.

Praise the Lord that He will hear the cry of the humble and will richly supply them with His grace. For the sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart He will not despise. (Psa 51:17) "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." (Matt 5:3)

To the pure, You will show Yourself pure
To the merciful, You are merciful

Amen.

New Worship Song:

[Show Yourself Pure](#)

Psalm 18:25-27; 24:3-4; 36:9; Isaiah 6:5

In Your light we see light
Let my eyes see Your glory
I judge myself and look inside
Are my hands clean before You?

Chorus:

Show Yourself pure to me
Show Yourself merciful
My lips are unclean
But You save the humble

Lord You give the humble grace
And their cry comes before You
The pure in heart shall see Your face

Is my heart pure before You?

Bridge:

With You is the fountain of life
Your holiness is my hearts desire
Your Word has enlightened my eyes
Jesus come purge me with Your refining fire

God Bless,

Joey
Christ Our Life