<u>Pastor's Weekly Devotional</u> – May 17, 2018

"Purity of Heart"

Jesus tells us that to be "pure in heart" is the route to true happiness. Self-examination liberates us into purity of heart and its joys. Purity of heart is emotional clarity toward God.

In fact, "Heart" in Hebrew psychology is, literally, human center, the home of personal feeling, willing and thinking. So, when Jesus said that "the pure in heart will see God;" He meant that "your personal center is clear toward God." So, it is the Heart which perceives God and not Reason.

Who we are at the center of our beings matter most to God. It is not our stature, status, or circumstances that are important to Him but who we are in our core's depth.

How do we move toward purity of heart? Jesus tells us over and over: "Do not let your heart be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in Me." So, we need to focus our attention on who Jesus is and what He has done for us; then we will know God. Study the scriptures. Live its principles. Pray. Continue to learn more about Jesus. Ask God for daily cleansing in your thoughts, words and deeds; then you will experience "purity of heart."

Have a blessed week! Pastor Sewdin