



## **Blessed are the Pure in Heart**

### **Word**

- Matthew 5:8, Psalm 51:1-11, Luke 18:9-14, 1 John 1:9
- How do these passages talk about how our hearts become pure?
- Focus on the parable in Luke 18:
  - What action steps are the two characters in these passages taking?
  - Both went into the temple to purify their hearts. Who left with a pure heart? Why?
- What do we learn about God's heart from these verses?

### **World**

- If the beatitude of Jesus is to be "pure in heart", how would our current Christian culture define it? How is this different from what we are learning today?
- If we had this conversation with someone who was not a Christian, what might their response be?
- What does our current Christian culture and/or the world say about confession?

### **Us**

- Do you have a rhythm of confession in your life? If not, what are the barriers or obstacles keeping you from this rhythm?
- Have you ever experienced more of God ("for they will see God") through confession? Share examples.
- What from our discussion today will you take with you and live out this week?

**When we seek to make our hearts pure, it leads to pride. But when we confess our sins to Jesus, He makes our hearts pure.**