

The pure in heart

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*Matthew 5*

“Blessed are the pure in heart for they  
Shall see God.” How can a heart be pure?  
Pollution in rivers we filter away  
So we can drink from fountains clean and clear.  
The human heart is vain and filled with rot.  
Nothing I do can wash up its messes.  
I am not pure of heart. Will I see God?  
There are such folks and them he blesses.  
He sees them shining round him. It baffles me.  
On my own terms I want to see my Lord,  
Not as he says, in others, I want to see  
His face, to worship him forevermore,  
The font of crystal waters that I crave—  
It’s my Impurities I want to save.