

FAMILY NEWS

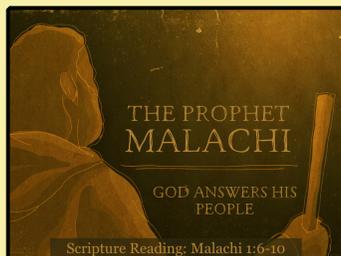
FEBRUARY 18, 2018

Madrid
CHURCH OF CHRIST

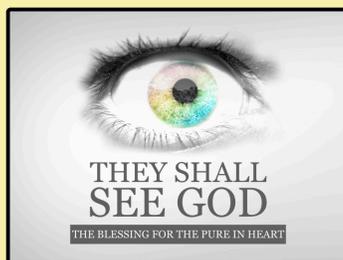
"COUNT YOUR MANY BLESSINGS..."

TODAY'S SCHEDULE:

9AM



11AM



THIS WEEK'S READING:

- 2/19 - Deut 6-8
- 2/20 - Deut 9-11
- 2/21 - Deut 12-14
- 2/22 - Deut 15-18
- 2/23 - Deut 19-21
- 2/24 - Deut 22-24
- 2/25 - Deut 25-28

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."
(Psalm 119:105)

ASSEMBLY TIMES:

SUNDAY

Sermon 9:00 am
Bible Classes 10:00 am
Worship 11:00 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Classes 7:00 pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Ladies:** Remember that you get to choose what class book the adult class will study on Wednesdays during the 3rd quarter of 2018. Let the elders know any ideas you may have.
- **Events to plan for:**
 - 3/2-3/3 - Marriage classes for younger couples
 - 3/4-3/7 - Spring gospel meeting with Mark Broyles. There are some flyers on the back table to hand out if you want to invite someone.
 - 3/4 - Potluck at Larry and Franki's after services
 - 3/11 - Song service @ 9am
 - 4/1 - Prayer service @ 9am

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Jordan - As he recovers from surgery on his feet
- Larry - issue he has had with the nerve in his face.
- Franki - issues with high blood pressure
- Erb & Jan - Erb getting treatments
- Jim & Janis Anderson - comfort for Jim and strength for Janis
- Sam Davidson - God would continue to work in him.
- Sandy - lung/breathing issues
- Alicia and baby
- Samantha and baby
- Bart - breathing/asthma issues. Give thanks for improvement
- Evangelists we support in the U.S. and Africa (Jason, Brewer, Esrael, Bob B., & others)
- Widows (Margaret, Ramona, Sandy, Renee)
- Our Shepherds as they lead and feed this flock
- Our deacons as they serve
- Spiritual growth for new converts

"3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places..."

- Ephesians 1:3, ESV

Have you recently thanked God for the blessings you have in Christ?



TODAY'S INTERACTIVE OUTLINE

They Shall See God

The Blessing for the Pure in Heart

February 18, 2018

Today, we are going to look at the fifth blessing given to those who are citizens of the kingdom of God/heaven.

I. Blessed Are the Pure in _____ .

- A. Heart = the spiritual center of life where one's thoughts, desires, sense of purpose, will, understanding, and character reside.
- B. There are two ideas that are included in the idea of being pure in the Bible:
 1. **Being _____**: Having our hearts wholly devoted to God. He has no competitors.
 - a) Pure = "unadulterated"
 - b) James 4:4, 8 - "You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God...⁸ Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded" (ESV).
 2. **Being _____**: Removing sin from our lives or keeping sin out of our lives (moral purity)
 - a) James 4:8 - "Cleanse your hands, you sinners" (ESV).
 - b) 2 Timothy 2:22 - "Flee youthful lusts and pursue... along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart" (ESV).

II. They Shall See God.

- A. The word 'see' can be used figuratively or literally.
 1. Figuratively: to perceive, recognize, or experience God
 2. Literally: being in the presence of someone and "seeing their face."
 - a) Psalm 24:4-6
 - (1) "Who shall stand in His _____?"
 - b) 1 John 3:2-3
 - (1) When Jesus _____, we shall see Him as He is, and we will be changed. We will be like Him.

Conclusion

- A. Is this a blessing you have now and will have in the future? Are you going to see God?
- B. Do you have a converted heart? You cannot see God unless your heart belongs to Jesus.

THINKING THROUGH TODAY'S LESSON:

- Are you devoted to having God as your single-minded devotion? Does He have any competitors in your life?
- Are you devoted to growing in your spiritual life, and are you getting the sin out of your life?
- Are you proactively keeping sin out of our lives?
- Have you given your "heart" to Jesus yet?

MY NOTES: