"Blessed are the pure in heart for they will see God" [Matthew 5:8]

What does it mean to see God?

"Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen" [1 Timothy 1:17]

"...God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no-one has seen or can see. To him be honour and might for ever. Amen" [1 Timothy 6:15b-16]

"But you cannot see my face, for no-one may see me and live." [Exodus 33:20]

"Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty." [Isaiah 6:5]

"⁹ Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and the seventy elders of Israel went up ¹⁰ and saw the God of Israel. Under his feet was something like a pavement made of sapphire, clear as the sky itself. ¹¹ But God did not raise his hand against these leaders of the Israelites; they saw God, and they ate and drank." [Exodus 24:9-11]

"The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth." [John 1:14] "No-one has ever seen God, But God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known." [John 1:18]

"Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father." [John 14:9]

"The throne of God and the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads." [Revelation 22:3b-4]

Who are the people who will see God?

"Don't you see that whatever enters the mouth goes into the mouth and out of the body. But the things that come out of the mouth come from the heart, and these make a man 'unclean'. For out of the heart come evil thought, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander. These are what make a man 'unclean'...." [Matthew 15:17-20a]

"Who may ascend the hill of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false." [Psalm 24:3-4]

"I will sprinkle clean water on you and you will be clean; I will clean you from all your impurities and from your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will pour my Spirit in you to move you to follow my decrees and to be careful to keep my laws." [Ezekiel 36:25-27]