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The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

Mt. 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. (NIV)

This phrase in the ancient Greek carries the connotation of *honesty, clarity and straightness*. This has a two-fold meaning. The first is a person who walks in purity and integrity. This person was called blameless because they gave no reason for others to doubt them. The LORD called Job blameless in **Job 1:8** *"Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil."* (NIV) Secondly, this person has an undivided heart. They are not like the double-minded people who say one thing and do another. They do not have a divided allegiance.

Now this beautiful attitude is so amazing because it shows us not only how we should walk but changes the perspective from ours to His. This is the beginning of wisdom and understanding what the LORD desires in us and from us. When we walk with the LORD as our guide, He leads us in the paths of righteousness and guides us through the labyrinth we call life. He makes a much better guide than we do. He always knows the best path to take and when and where we should go. It reminds me of a verse of an old hymn "*Trust And Obey*" by John Henry Sammis. *When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word What a glory He sheds on our way! While we do His good will, He abides with us still And with all who will trust and obey*

Dear LORD, help our hearts to be pure as we walk in the light of Your Word. You will guide us along the paths of righteousness for Your Name's sake. Keep our minds and our hearts fixed on all that is right and true and holy. In Jesus Name, Amen