

Blurry Vision: Seeing Clearly

Our theme this year is: Now I See.



Seeing as God sees. Having that Heavenly perspective. When we have that, we come to understand and value character over stuff. We understand why God warns us about certain behaviors and attitudes. When a person says, "I don't see what's wrong with it," that's a problem. They are not seeing clearly.

This quarter, the Wednesday night class will take a journey into what we call Blurry Vision. We want to explore the different ways our vision can become cloudy, obscured and blocked. And, in doing this, we want to learn how to clear up our vision. We want to see Jesus. We want to see clearly.

A. As we introduce these thoughts we see a parallel between spiritual vision and physical vision.

1. Sometimes there is a d_____ or a w_____
2. Other times a person's vision is blurry because of the _____ that they have made
3. then there are moments when we get _____ in our eyes
4. if you have been in a dark room, a basement, a cave and you come out into the bright sunlight, it takes a moment for your eyes to _____. At first your eyes cannot see.

B. S_____ is always behind a blurry spiritual vision

1. 2 Cor 4:3-4 Paul said the gospel was "veiled" or covered.

- Romans 1:25 "For they exchanged the truth of God for a _____"

2. 1 John 2:16 John said, "...the lust of the _____ and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the w_____."

- immediately, this tells us two things:

- (1) Satan doesn't want us to see the _____ of the Gospel

- the Gospels will save us. The Gospels will change us. The Gospels will pull us to God
- Satan will use people, things, events to cloud our vision and take our eyes off of Jesus

- (2) The more of the world that is in us, the more d_____ it will be to see God

- the value system of the world, the definitions of the world, the thinking of the world

C. So this tells us that we must develop a _____ eye

- we need to recognize things that are not r_____

C. We need to pour more of God's _____ into our hearts

- this is where we get what is _____
- here we learn the proper _____ systems
- here we _____ things as God sees them