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From Where I Sit . . .

# "The Difference Between Looking and Really Seeing!"

Have you ever found yourself staring at an object for a long time only to draw a blank when someone asks you what you're looking at. Sometimes we look but fail to really see. There must be some spiritual application to this concept. Jesus used it in reference to those who are outside of relationship with Him. "That seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and their sins should be forgiven them" (Mark 4:12; also see Matt 13:14-15). Certainly in regard to the Gospel there are many who look directly at God's Truths and fail to see the implications thereof.

There's another area of our lives where we need to develop the ability to genuinely see what is around us. That's in the spiritual realm – the vision of faith – spiritual vision – the kind of vision that Abraham and Sarah had when they were old and past the time of having children. In **Genesis 17 and 18:12**, Sarah at first laughed at God's promise of a child, seeing only an old and decrepit body. God saw past that moment to the great potential that faith could create in these two who have stood at the top of a long list of those who by faith conquered insurmountable odds. **Romans chapter 4, verses 18 through 25** tell us that they "in hope believed against hope." Even when there was no apparent reason to hope for such a thing as a child in the flesh, they still believed God was able to make it happen. What spiritual vision!!

We must be individuals of faith in God's power and God's promises. He "is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work" (2 Cor 9:8). God will supply. Our task is to trust Him. In all of life, whatever it serves, let us never waver in our faith that God will supply!

Another area deserving of real vision and not merely casual looking is in regard to opportunities around us. On one occasion the disciples saw a multitude of people pressing around the Lord (Matt. 14:15). To them this represented inconvenience, mouths to feed. To Jesus it represented "sheep having no shepherd" who were scattered abroad. He was moved with compassion on them (Matt. 9:36). May we develop the perceptiveness of every opportunity to tell someone about Jesus. While the disciples only saw a world of perversity, Jesus saw "fields white unto harvest" (John 4:35).

Jesus saw in some pretty raw recruits the potential and capacity to be useful servants in His work. The disciples could, with His molding, become fishers of men. So can we! When we look at someone in the church who appears to have nothing to offer, may we choose rather to see him as the Lord would, as one worth dying for, and one who has the ability to become a son of God. It works two ways. Not only should we see that "worthwhileness" in others, but in ourselves as well. Jesus died for "me." Jesus believes in "my" intrinsic worthwhileness. Not "my" righteousness for I have none of myself, but His vision of us all is that we were worth His dying for. May we cultivate His ability to do more than merely look at, but also to really see and perceive.



Please pray for our sick and remember them with cards, calls and visits.

Marty Glenn, Pam Brown's father, is feeling a lot better after the recent procedure. He was to be moved to a regular room today. Please continue to pray for a complete recovery.

**Dale Roden**, mother of Diane Laney, had a stroke and developed pneumonia following a recent ablation procedure and surgery to insert a pacemaker. She was able to come home this week and is improving. Please pray that she makes a full recovery. Her address is 685 Co. Rd. 357, Pisgah, AL 35765.

**Roger Boyd**, friend of Ernie & Paula Foster that attended here several years ago, has been in UAB Hospital since March with Covid. He needs our prayers. Cards may be sent to 119 Newport, Scottsboro, 35768.

**Darlene Jacobs** is having a serious health condition that may require surgery in the near future. Our prayers are requested.

**Benn Farr**, cousin of several of our members, had his second neck surgery last Friday at UAB. He may have pneumonia, which they are treating, but is having other complications as well. He needs our prayers immensely.

#### LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Marge Rice
Terry Broome
Brenda Price
Polly Franklin
Tammy McGuire
Sam Wright
Harold Reynolds
Judy Roberts

Marty Broome, Terry's brother.

Mary Hodge, 88 Sumner Dr., 35769.

Andrew Gardner, brother of Joel Gardner.

Judy Solomon, sister of Martha Pendley.

Marie Sullivan, mother of Betty Clayson.

Hudson Coldwell, Martha Pendley's grandson.

Kenny Jimenez, son-in-law of Dave & Elane Bagley.

Leonard West, 95 year old uncle of Ron Graham.

**Lana Jones**, granddaughter of Doyle & Cathy Lemaster.

**Delmer Johnson**, father of Rebecca Gardner.

Bob Milk, brother-in-law of Robin Shelton.

**Winston Busby**, brother of Doris Laney, 198 Weaver Rd., Henagar, AL 35978.

**Sally Abbott**, aunt of Bill Price, 440 2<sup>nd</sup> St., S Naples, FL 34102-8620.

**Roger Alley**, son-in-law of David & Margaret Crawford, 12931 AL Hwy 79, Scottsboro, 35768.

**Jimmy Kimble**, brother of Joan Jackson, 303 Hollow St., Hohenwald, TN 38462.

Cissi Britt, sister of Buddy Holt.

**Rhonda Harrison**, sister of Brenda Devers, 74 Sarah Betty Lane, Apt. B1, Scottsboro, 35769.

Joe Precise, cousin of David.

Linda Nickells, sister of Betty Robinson.

**Vickie Farr**, sister of Charlotte Vinson,4319 Hanging Moss Dr. Orange Park, FL 32073.

**Faye Blizzard**, employee at Woods Cove Florist.

**Shep Knight**, child of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin.

Jordan McCormack, US Navy

Trent McCormack, US Navy

Jordan Holt, US Navy-Reserve

Abigail Holt, US Navy

Nathan Bridges, US Air Force-Reserve

Paige Chrisman, US Air Force

Nathaniel Doan, US Marine Corps

Anthony Worst, US Marine Corps

#### NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND

Cloverdale Manor	Rosewood Manor	Southern Estates
412 Cloverdale Rd.	1513 Co. Park Rd.	212 E. Stewart Rd.
Scottsboro, 35768	Scottsboro, 35769	Scottsboro, 35769
Helen Ott	Doris Johnson	Tommy Bellomy

Jean Hancock 1703 Stewart Rd., 35768
Polly Franklin 9440 Hwy. 79 Bypass, 35768
Mark Little 107 Benson Lane, 35768
Elsie Goodman 406 S Houston St., 35768

Martha Nan Baker 701 Monroe St., NW, Russellville, 35653 Nell Anderson 121 Brookridge Dr., Apt. 148, Madison, 35758

Ruth Spurgeon 8922 AL 227, Crossville, AL 35962 Nellie Spring 1950 Bob Jones Rd., 35769

## Calendar of Upcoming Events—

July 21 — Summer Series Speaker: Jon Podein
July 24 — Back to School Bash

July 28 — Summer Series Speaker: Eric Lyons
July 25-30 — Backwoods Christian Camp

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We are happy announce that Tripp Ledbetter decided to become a Christian! He was baptized at home early last Thursday morning.



We are so proud of you, Tripp!



Back to School Bash will be July 24<sup>th</sup> at Russell Farm. We will probably be serving lunch and need to have a head count. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board.

Steady For Life, an exercise and balance class geared toward those 55 and older, will begin meeting in August. Classes will be at 10:00 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at the Woods Cove Youth Center. A demonstration class will be held on July 28th from 10:00-11:00 a.m. for everyone interested. Contact Jill Russell at 256-599-7714 for more information.

On August 21st there will be a S.W.A.T. (Skits With 🙈 🛭 A Truth) Youth Rally with Lonnie Jones & Ben Hayes (YOUTH RA at Owens Cross Roads church of Christ. The



rally will begin at 4:00 p.m. and end at 8:15 p.m.

### CIA Ministry Needs Your Help

We are asking for your help once again in sending greeting cards to our sick, shut-in, lonely, aged and others. The cards will be available in the foyer to be picked up on Sunday, July 25th. Thank you for your help!



Broad Street church of Christ gratefully acknowledges a donation in memory of Jimmie Toth from Sam & Roxie Wright.

#### NO PUPPET PROGRAM - July 25, 2021

## A Little Birdie Told Me

"Furthermore, in your bedchamber do not curse a king, and in your sleeping rooms do not curse a rich man, for a bird of the heavens will carry the sound and the winged creature will make the matter known" (Ecclesiastes 10:20 NASU).

"A birdie told me" Mom said, when I asked her how she knew about what I had done as a kid. Solomon mentions something like this in our text. Solomon is using an ancient saying that is still popular today. In using this expression, he is revealing several important truths:

First, we must appreciate the speed of words. We often say "good news travels fast." But in this modern age of technology, news (good and bad) travels at speeds never before imagined. Knowing, therefore, how quickly news gets out, we should choose our words carefully.

Second, we must appreciate the power of words. We can say things - even in "confidence" (like our bedroom) - that can negatively affect us and others. Words do hurt, offend and kindle hard feelings. Therefore, it is vital that we guard what we say at all times – even in situations where we believe no one will ever figure out what we say. Our speech should "always" be with grace (Colossians 4:6), and we should "let no unwholesome word proceed out of your mouth" (Ephesians 4:29).

Third, we must appreciate the appropriateness of words. Again, remember Paul's admonition to "consider how we ought to respond to every person" (Colossians 4:6). In Solomon's example, a person wants to "curse" both a king and a rich man. Even though they may deserve the curse, it still shouldn't be given - even by one in private. We must never speak evil of anyone.

Fourth, we must appreciate the danger of words. Solomon warned that "the lips of the fool consume him" (10:12). What will happen if the king and rich man find out what was said? It will not be good for the one who uttered the foolish curse (Matthew 5:21-26).

We must learn to control our tongues! James spent considerable time making this very point in his epistle (James 3). May we always exercise wisdom with our words, not only in what we say but where we say them.

> Denny Petrillo Denver, CO

#### **ELDERS**

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#### **DEACONS**

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#### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

WORSHIP. . . . . . . . . . . Sunday 9:55 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. BIBLE STUDY...... Sunday 9:00 A.M. and Wednesday 6:30 P.M. LADIES BIBLE CLASS. . . . . . Tuesday 10:00 A.M.

#### Those to Serve...

#### **SUNDAY, July 25, 2021 Announcements: Trey Russell**

**Song Leader: Tanner Shelton** Prayer: Brad Wilhelm Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: Rabon McCormack Speaker: Terry Broome Closing Prayer: John A. Porch Ushers: David Dover & Preston Dover

#### P.M. SERVICE:

Song Leader: Mark Price **Scripture: Grady Gattis Prayer: Tres Sanford** Speaker: Terry Broome

Lord's Supper: Nick & Major Ledbetter

**Closing Prayer: Will Shelton** 

#### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

Scripture: Clay Kennamer Song Leader: Kenneth Beard Prayer: David Precise

> **CONTACT ELDER: David Precise** OPEN & CLOSE BUILDING FOR THE MONTH:

> > Rick Baird

If you are unable to serve, please call: Dave Precise 256-599-6668

The Learning Center Pre-School (Infants - 4 yrs.) Debra Wilhelm, Director ♦ 259-0005

# First Class Requires

If you go to worship to hear something other The Word of God (the Bible) never changes

You have gone for the wrong reason. If you hear something other,



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2. "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we 1. "He that endureth to the end shall be saved." (Matthew 10:22)

3. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your abor is not in vain in the Lord." (1 Corinthians 15:58) shall reap, if we faint not." (Galatians 6:9)

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