

THE EYES OF GOD—PERFECT VISION!

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Do you ever stop to consider how we "look" in the eyes of God? When He looks upon our life, service, and work-is He pleased or disappointed? What does He see?

"But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." {1 Samuel 16:7} God looks where men cannot--the heart!

Why does God begin His search in our hearts?

"But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man." {Matthew 15: 18}

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." {Matthew 6:21}

"Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life." {Proverbs 4:23}

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" {Matthew 5:8}

Jesus, in His wonderful Sermon on the Mount, shows where change must begin--in the heart! If one's heart is right then his actions will right. This would seem to tell us that if we want to correct any problem we may have, it must first begin in our heart.

How does one get their heart under control? Can we master our hearts? Not only can we, we must in order to be acceptable to God!

"Jesus said to him," 'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. " {Matthew 22:37}

Only when we love God with all our heart, can we start to bring our lives into accordance with His divine will. All actions and thought begin in our mind. Motives, emotions, intellect, and our will come from the heart.

"For if there is first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what one has, and not according to what he does not have." {2 Corinthians 8:12}

God sees into our hearts. He knows why we do what we do. Men can fool brethren, friends, even family, but not God!

"But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts?" {Matthew 9:4}

"And He said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of God" {Luke 16:15}

This truth should make men very concerned about each thought in their minds. God knows what we are thinking, why we are thinking it, and what actions will be done.

"And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account."{Hebrews 4:13}

This brings us to a very important fact. What God sees is perfectly correct. He makes no false conclusions. Therefore, when man stands before Him in judgment, he will not need to give Him some "missing information" to consider. God has already considered all of our lives. {2 Corinthians 5:10; Romans 14:12}

Nothing that man does is insignificant to God. Every detail is carefully observed and on file to give our God a very clear view of our life.

What does He see in you today? Are you one of His children? Do you faithfully serve Him? Does your service come from a committed and dedicated heart? Remember, there is an all-seeing eye watching you. He will always be 100% correct! ***