



REAL MOMENTUM Bible Study
A Man Who Beholds God
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BEHOLD: TO GAZE UPON; OBSERVE.

"WHAT COMES INTO OUR MINDS WHEN WE THINK OF GOD IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING ABOUT US."

1. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD IS PREOCCUPIED WITH GOD!

2. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD IMMERSSES HIMSELF IN STUDY

Joshua 1:8 (NLT) *Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do.*

3. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD IS CONSTANTLY WORKING BUILDING HIS CHRISTIAN FORMATION IN HIS LIFE.

4. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD HAS SPIRITUAL RECEPTIVITY. Psalm 19:1-3

5. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD ALLOWS GOD TO CONTINUOUSLY REVEAL HIMSELF.

6. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD PURSUES GOD DAILY.

7. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD DESIRES TO KNOW GOD PERSONALLY AND INTIMATELY.

Psalm 27:8, *When You said, "Seek My face," My heart said to You, "Your face, LORD, I will seek."*

2 Peter 3:18, but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.

8. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD LIVES CHRISTIANITY 24 HOURS A DAY.

9. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD HAS AN "ADULT" MATURE RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.

10. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD CONTINUOUSLY IS CULTIVATING A LIFE THAT GOD WOULD DESIRE TO DRAW NEAR.

11. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD SERVES OTHERS.

12. A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD PRAYS.

13. OBSTACLES TO BECOMING A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD.

- **COWARDICE.**
- **FOOLISHNESS.**
- **CHILDISHNESS.**

1 Corinthians 3:1-3, (NLT) Dear brothers and sisters, when I was with you I couldn't talk to you as I would to spiritual people. I had to talk as though you belonged to this world or as though you were infants in the Christian life.² I had to feed you with milk, not with solid food, because you weren't ready for anything stronger. And you still aren't ready,³ for you are still controlled by your sinful nature. You are jealous of one another and quarrel with each other. Doesn't that prove you are controlled by your sinful nature? Aren't you living like people of the world?

- **PRIDE.**

IT ALL COMES BACK TO THE FACT WE ARE SELFISH, SELF- CENTERED, AND TRY TO RELY ON OUR SELF NOT GOD. IT IS LACK OF THE TRUE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD'S WORD.

THE BIBLE TELLS US IN 1 John 2:15-16 (NLT) ¹⁵Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. ¹⁶For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father, but are from this world.

THE PROUD MAN WILL NEVER KNOW GOD'S SWEET PRESENCE, BUT THE MAN WHO IS CONTRITE (LITERALLY "GROUND TO POWDER") OVER HIS SIN AGAINST GOD WILL FIND GOD'S REVIVING NEARNESS RESTORING HIM.

A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD IS SOMEONE WHO TRUSTS IN THE KNOWLEDGE AND WISDOM OF GOD, NOT IN HIS OWN ABILITIES.

- **HUMILITY.**

A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD UNDERSTANDS THAT HE IS ONLY DUST AND ASHES WITHOUT CHRIST IN HIS LIFE.

"HUMILITY IS NOT DENYING THE POWER OF GIFTING YOU HAVE, BUT ADMITTING THAT THE GIFTING IS FROM GOD AND THE POWER COMES THROUGH YOU **NOT FROM YOU.**"

THOSE WHO DESIRE TO BEHOLD THE GOD OF THE BIBLE MUST SEEK HUMILITY THAT COMES FROM THE HEARTBREAKING AWARENESS OF THEIR SIN AND HELPLESSNESS.

GOD IS YEARNING TO MAIFEST HIMSELF TO YOU.

I ENCOURAGE YOU TO BE A MAN WHO BEHOLDS GOD!