



## **GOD'S EYES**

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### **When you look at the world through God's eyes: You can be fearless**

**Hebrews 11:24-27** – Speaking of Moses' faith *"...not fearing the king's anger he persevered because he saw Him Who is invisible."* (27) . He "never flinched" because he sought not the reward, but the rewarder.

**Act 7:54-56** – Stephen – *"looked up... and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God... I see heaven open..."* (55-56).

### **When you look at the world through God's eyes: Your eyes are full of compassion**

**Luke 7:11-15** – grief, facing an unknown future

*"When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her..."* (13)

**Luke 19:1-6** – marginalized and outcast

*"When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.'"* (5)

**Luke 19:41-44** – spiritual blindness

*"As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it..."* (41)

**John 5:1-6** – sickness, inability

*"When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, 'Do you want to get well?'"* (6)

**John 11:33-44** – lost hope, separation, disappointment, sorrow, death

*"When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled."* (33)

### **When you look at the world through God's eyes: You see what others can't see**

What John Lennon saw - *"Imagine there's no heaven, it's easy if you try. No hell below us, above us only sky. Imagine all the people livin' for today."*

**II Kings 6:15-20** – Elisha prayed, *"O LORD, open his eyes so he may see."* (17).

People who appear to be your adversary, are not.

People who appear to have no value or worth, do.

**When you look at the world through God's eyes: You see struggles differently**

"Love I get so lost sometimes, days pass and this emptiness fills my heart, when I want to run away and drive off in my car... The resolution of all the fruitless searches, Oh, I see the light and the heat, Oh, I wanna be that complete..." (Peter Gabriel, In Your Eyes)

Struggles blur the focus or struggles focus the blur.

**Matthew 14:28-30** – Peter walks on water because his eyes are focused on the person of Jesus. He begins to drown when his eyes divert and look around at the storm.

**Job 42:5** – Job finally recognizes God's sovereignty and God's goodness despite all the suffering and struggle. The struggle focused the blur.

"Suffering people do not have to cease feeling pain; they only need to abandon the sin of rejecting God Who has allowed it." - Mark P. Cosgrove