

Deeper Life Notes

Jesus Serves: "Restoring Sight" (Mark 8:22-26)

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WARM UP

How do we get holy? Two truths for targeting the heart: 'Outside in' or 'Inside out' approach?

REVIEW

Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn said, "*The line between good and evil passes not through states, not between classes, not between political parties either-but right through every human heart- and through all human hearts.*"

We embrace the 'Inside out' Approach by Holding fast to God's commands, by admitting the sin is in us, and by asking Jesus for forgiveness:

But if we confess our sins, he will forgive our sins. We can trust God. He does what is right. He will make us clean from all the wrongs we have done. 1 John 1:9 (ICB)

"You are either at peace with God and fighting sin or you are at peace with sin and fighting God"

Collin Smith

Restoring Sight

READ

Mark 8:22-26

1. How does Jesus restore _____¹ sight?

How did Jesus restore physical sight to the blind man in this parable?

How are we like the blind man (who needed physical sight) needing restoration of our spiritual sight?

How did Jesus help the disciples restore their spiritual sight?

2. Why do we need _____² of our spiritual sight?

A. Because we are spiritually blind (vv.14-21,v.18)

READ

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

¹ spiritual

² restoration

B. Because we only see in part (vv.22-33)

READ

Mark 4:11-12, Ephesians 1:12-14, 1 Corinthians 13:12

APPLICATION

Confidence - There are things we can "know that we know"...

Caution - Our Christian faith is a process, therefore we need to be corrected.

"Are you living in the word enough to be corrected by it"? Collin Smith

Bottom line = accept a correction from the scripture

C. Because God's promise of 20/20 vision will bring us hope (vv. 8:34-9:1)

READ

Exodus 4:11, Isaiah 29:18

Bottom line = Enjoy a sure promise

CONCLUSION

We need our spiritual sight restored in order to;

1. Hear a reproof
2. Accept a correction
3. Enjoy a sure promise

Our Prayer

*Mark 10:50-52 Jesus heals blind Bartimaeus ---- And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. 51 And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "**Rabbi, let me recover my sight.**" 52 And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.*