



Spiritual Sight – Part 1

Mark 8:1-26

And he said to them, "Then are you also without **understanding**?

Do you not **see** that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him...

Mark 7:18

I. I need the repeated lessons of faith. (1-10)

- A. See Christ's compassion for people.
- B. See the power of God at work.
- C. See Jesus as the solution every time.

II. “Open the eyes of my heart, Lord!” (v.11-13)

A. Seeing Jesus is the greatest gift.

But blessed are your eyes, because they see; and your ears because they hear. For truly, I say to you that many prophets and righteous men desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.

Matthew 13:16-17

II. “Open the eyes of my heart, Lord!” (v.11-13)

- A. Seeing Jesus is the greatest gift.
- B. Rejecting Jesus is the result a hard heart.

For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him; but the tax collectors and prostitutes did believe him; and you, seeing this, did not even feel remorse afterward so as to believe him.

Matthew 21:32

...being darkened in their understanding,
excluded from the life of God because of
the ignorance that is in them, because of
the hardness of their heart...

Ephesians 4:18

II. “Open the eyes of my heart, Lord!” (v.11-13)

- A. Seeing Jesus is the greatest gift.
- B. Rejecting Jesus is the result a hard heart.
- C. The heart of Jesus—hate: they loved sin more.

This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil.

John 3:19

III. Increase faith and abolish pessimism. (v.14-21)

- A. Watch out for tradition, worldliness and skepticism.
- B. Trusting Christ produces optimism.
- C. Reflect on the beauty and love of Christ.



Eyes of faith expect the
power and provision of Christ.

Main Idea