

“THE EYES OF THE LORD” by Larry R. Ping II

The Bible speaks of the “eyes of the Lord” 22 times. What can we learn about God using this phrase? The eyes of the Lord...

1) Are grace-filled. Moses reports, “*But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD*” (Gen. 6:8). Grace here is a reference to the favor of God, which man does not deserve, or cannot earn. Yet, the eyes of the Lord are filled with it. Paul would declare, “*For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God*” (Eph. 2:8).

2) Declare what is right. The meek man authored, “*When thou shalt hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep all his commandments which I command thee this day, to do that which is right in the eyes of the LORD thy God*” (Dte. 13:18). Man never has decided, nor will he ever what is right. Solomon warned, “*There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death*” (Prov. 14:12). David and Asa were both said to have done things which were “*right in the eyes of the LORD*” (I Kgs. 15:5,11). May the same be said of us.

3) Are in every place. Proverbs 15:3 substantiates this. God is omni-present. A good, thorough reading of Psalm 139:7-12 will prove to show there is nowhere one can escape the presence of the Lord.

4) Are over the righteous. In fact, the Text proclaims, “*For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil*” (I Pet. 3:12). As a faithful person of God, it is comforting to know we serve and follow a caring, generous Father.

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“...The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight...” (Matt. 3:3)

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“NO RESURRECTION?” by Larry R. Ping II

Paul affirmed there were those who say “*there is no resurrection of the dead*” (I Cor. 15:12). Of course, this was a main tenet of the Sadducees (Matt. 22:23; Acts 23:8). The Holy Spirit and Paul used I Corinthians 15 to address this erroneous teaching. Consider.

1) The resurrection of Christ is part of the Gospel. Paul would “*declare...how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day*” (I Cor. 15:1-4). The resurrection is a vital part of the good news!

2) The resurrection of Christ was witnessed. The best witness is an eye-witness! Paul reports, “*he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles. And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time*” (I Cor. 15:5-8). How can one disbelieve when there are these witnesses?

3) The resurrection is essential to man’s salvation. Paul issues a lengthy list of results if there is no resurrection in I Corinthians 15:13-19. These include the fact Jesus would not be raised from the dead. Our preaching and faith would be in vain. Paul and the other apostles would all be false witnesses. All man is still in sin, with no remedy. Those who we thought had died in Christ are actually perished. We, who believe, are among men, the most miserable and pitiable. Quite a list, isn’t it, if there be no resurrection?

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BIBLE READING QUESTIONS

The Bible reading for Mar. 12-Mar. 18 spans Eph. 2:1-Eph. 6:8.

Answer the following questions based upon your reading.

- 1) What is possible through the blood of Christ (Eph. 2:13)?

- 2) “Whereby, when ye _____, ye may _____ my knowledge in the mystery of Christ” (Eph. 3:4).
- 3) What is God able to do according to Ephesians 3:20?

- 4) “For the _____ of the saints, for the work of the _____, for the _____ of the body of Christ” (Gal. 5:13).
- 5) What three instructions are listed in Ephesians 4:26-27?

- 6) “_____ to yourselves in psalms and _____ and spiritual songs, _____ and making melody in your _____ to the Lord” (Eph. 5:19).
- 7) What instructions are given to fathers in Ephesians 6:4?

READING SCHEDULE AND MEMORY VERSES FOR THE DAYS OF MAR. 12-MAR. 18, 2023.

March 12, 2023: Eph. 2:1-Eph. 2:22

March 13, 2023: Eph. 3:1-Eph. 3:13

March 14, 2023: Eph. 3:14-Eph. 4:6

March 15, 2023: Eph. 4:7-Eph. 4:25

March 16, 2023: Eph. 4:26-Eph. 5:11

March 17, 2023: Eph. 5:12-Eph. 5:21

March 18, 2023: Eph. 5:22-Eph. 6:8

“Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth” (Gal. 5:7)?

“Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God” (Php. 4:6).

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