

mountains shake with the swelling thereof” (Psa. 46:1-3). When troubles mount around us, let us be as Job and David, with “tear-filled” eyes turning to the Almighty God.

3) NOT WISE IN SELF EYES. The wise man warned, *“Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil” (Prov. 3:7).* As the verse commands, we must respect the Lord and His ways. Unfortunately, many of us tend to drift into our own ways. Later, Solomon would ask, *“Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there is more hope of a fool than of him” (Prov. 26:12).* The Messianic prophet warned, *“Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight” (Isa. 5:21).* Be very sure to trust in the Lord and do things His way, and not in our own ways.

4) TWINKLING EYES. Paul wrote about these. He penned, *“Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed” (I Cor. 15:51-52).* The description of these eyes helps the reader to understand the rapid way in which the day of the Lord will occur. When the last trump sounds (I Thess. 4:13-18), there will be no time to obey God at the last minute. Those things must be taken care of before our eyes twinkle. How are you doing along these lines?

5) TEARLESS EYES. John wrote, *“And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away” (Rev. 21:4).* What a day that will be!

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“BIBLE EYES”

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It has been said, “The eyes are the window to the soul.” In other words, our eyes are very important. The Bible speaks of many different kinds of eyes. Consider some in this brief article.

1) WICKED EYES. One of Job’s friends, Zophar, spoke of *“the eyes of the wicked” (Job. 11:20).* These eyes are always focused on temptation and sin. They rarely, if ever, consider God’s Word or His wishes. Solomon describes these sorts of eyes by writing, *“For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall. For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence” (Prov. 4:16-17).* Work hard not to have eyes full of wickedness.

2) TEAR-FILLED EYES. In responding to his friends, Job would say, *“My friends scorn me: but mine eye poureth out tears unto God” (Job 16:20).* These eyes, filled with tears, represent Job’s great need to turn to God in his time of distress. Where else can one turn in such times? David was very much like Job. The Psalmist wrote, *“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the*

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BIBLE READING QUESTIONS

Read II Corinthians 5:1-11.

Answer the following questions based upon your reading.

- 1) What kind of house is referenced in II Corinthians 5:1?

- 2) “For in this we _____, earnestly desiring to be _____ upon with our house which is from _____” (II Cor. 5:2).
- 3) What is to be swallowed up in life (II Cor. 5:4)?

- 4) “Therefore we are always _____, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the _____, we are _____ from the _____” (II Cor. 5:6).
- 5) How are we to walk according to II Corinthians 5:7?

- 6) “We are _____, I say, and willing rather to be _____ from the _____, and to be _____ with the Lord” (II Cor. 5:8)?
- 7) What must we all do according to II Corinthians 5:10?

- 8) “Knowing therefore the _____ of the _____, we _____ men” (II Cor. 5:11).

TOPIC OF THE WEEK: FORGIVENESS **FOR THE DAYS OF JANUARY 22-26, 2024**

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024

Definition of forgiveness: To give up resentment against or stop wanting to punish (someone) for an offense or fault; pardon; To relent in being angry or in wishing to exact punishment for (an offense or fault)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024

Old Testament passages dealing with forgiveness
Exo. 21:31-33; Psa. 32:1-5; Psa. 86:1-5; Jer. 31:33-34

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024

New Testament passages dealing with forgiveness
Matt. 6:14-15; Lk. 17:3-4; Acts 8:21-22; Jam. 5:15-16

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2024

Bible story displaying forgiveness
Matthew 18:21-35

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2024

How important is forgiveness to our salvation?
How can we learn to more easily forgive others?

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