

Man's Spiritual Ignorance

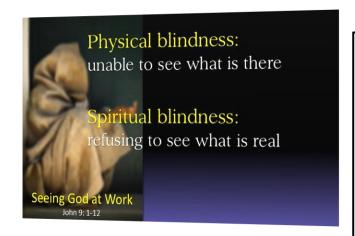


Lesson 15

Eph 4.17-18 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Blindness of Heart

- Understanding Darkened
- Alienated From Life of God
- Individual Ignorance



THE AWFUL THING IS THAT THE NATURAL MAN IS QUITE BLIND TO THE BLINDNESS OF HIS HEART which is insensibly leading him to "the blackness of darkness forever" (Jude 13). That is why the vast majority live so securely and peacefully. It has always appeared strange to the godly why the ungodly can be so unconcerned while under sentence of death, and conduct themselves so frivolously and gaily while exposed to the wrath to come.

John was surprised to see the wicked spending their days in carnality and feasting. David was grieved at the prosperity of the wicked and could not account for their not being in trouble as other men. Amos was astonished to behold the sinners in Zion living at ease, putting the evil day far from them, lying on beds of ivory. Nothing but their SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS can explain the conduct of the vast majority of mankind, crying peace and safety when exposed to IMPENDING DESTRUCTION."

Arthur Pink, "The Doctrine of Man's Impotence"

- 1. Spiritual Blindness Explained: Jhn 1:5: Isa 29:10; Mat 6:23; Jhn 3:19,20
- 2. Spiritual blindness is the Effect Of Unbelief: Rom 11:8; 2Cr 4:3,4
- 3. Spiritual blindness is a Work of the Devil: 2Cr 4:4
- 4. Spiritual Blindness Leads to All Evil: Eph 4:17-19
- 5. Spiritual blindness is Fatal to Ministers: Mat 15:14
- Spiritual blindness in the Wicked: Psa 82:5; Jer 5:21
- 7. Spiritual blindness of The Self-Righteous: Mat 23:19,26; Rev 3:17
- 8. The Wicked are Wilfully Guilty Of spiritual blindness: Isa 26:11; Rom 1:19-21
- 9. Spiritual Blindness can be Judicially Inflicted: Psa 69:23; Isa 29:10; 44:18; <a href="Mailto:Mailt
- 10. Pray for the Removal Of spiritual blindness: Psa 13:3; 119:18
- 11. Christ Appointed to Remove spiritual blindness: <u>Isa 42:7</u>; <u>Luk 4:18</u>; <u>Jhn 8:12</u>; <u>9:39</u>; <u>2Cr 4:6</u>
- 12. Christ's Ministers Are Lights to Remove Spiritual blindness: Mat 5:14; Act 26:18
- 13. Saints Are Delivered From spiritual blindness: Jhn 8:12; Eph 5:8; Col 1:13; 1Th 5:4,5; 1Pe 2:9
- 14. Spiritual Blindness Exemplified(Israel): Rom 11:25; 2Cr 3:15
- Spiritual blindness of Scribes and Pharisees: Mat 23:16,24
- 16. Spiritual blindness in the Churches of Laodicea: Rev 3:17

One great power of sin is that it blinds men so that they do not recognize its true character." Andrew Murray