

## SERMON NOTES

Series: Building Upon the Firm  
Foundation of God's Word

Title: By Seeing What God Wants  
Me to See

Text: 1 Corinthians 2: 14; Matthew 5:8

Topic: How to See What God Wants

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When God turns on the light, there are benefits that come into my life.

1. I see the solution to my problems.
2. I see the barrier to my progress.
3. I see the protection that God has for me from all the things that are attacking me.
4. I see that He's with me all the time.

To get the illumination that results in these blessings, you must...

### 1. BEGIN A RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST.

You can't just know about Jesus. You've got to know him.

- "The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned." 1 Corinthians 2: 14
- "The devil who rules this world has blinded the minds of those who do not believe. They cannot see the light of the Good News..." 2 Corinthians 4:4
- "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God until he is born again." John 3:3

### 2. ASK GOD IN FAITH TO OPEN YOUR EYES.

"Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your laws." Psalm 119:18

There are wonderful things in the Bible, but when you don't see them, it's not the Bible's fault. It's because you're spiritual eyes are closed.

When you ask, ask in faith. James 1:5

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you." Psalm 32:8

### 3. COME WITH A HUMBLE ATTITUDE.

- "He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way." Psalm 25:9
- "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6

### 4. CLEANSE YOUR HEART OF SIN AND CONFLICT.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God." Matthew 5:8

Pure does not mean perfect. Pure in heart means I'm caught up today on my confession. Confession is saying, "Yes God, I agree I was wrong and you're right."

To see with spiritual eyes I must have a clear conscience and a clean heart, one that is cleansed from sin and conflict.

"Whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and he walks around in the darkness. He does not know where he's going." 1 John 2:11

You cannot be right with God and wrong with others.

### 5. COMMIT IN ADVANCE TO DO WHAT GOD SAYS.

"Teach me, O Lord, to follow your decrees; then I will keep them. Give me understanding, and I will keep your law and obey it with all my heart." Psalm 119:33-34

God's not going to shine light on step two until you act on step one.

"Do not merely listen to the word and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says." James 1:22