

(1). How is your eyesight? Triple vision, or not?"

even the limited to whom it is given
Introd:- (1). TOPIC. Well, how is it? If you have reasonably good, healthy eyes..you possess one of most amazing, marvellous instruments in the Universe. Our evolutionist friends tell me that human eye evolved from a freckle. Some freckle! Darwin himself said that when considered intricacy, structure, capability of human eye it gave him the cold shudders! The marvel of the universes..stretched out thru. unimaginable space..shrinks to nothing compared with the fact that there is an observer of all this..the human eye. Far beyond best cameras man has invented.. Self-focussing..self-lubricating, automatic adjustable lens light control, instant picture development..in motion and living colour..Consists of cornea, iris, pupil, lens, retina aqueous and vitreous humors, ganglion cells..and lit. millions of rods, sensitive to unbel. min. of light..million of cones, able stand amazing brilliance and translate it into colour as chem. reaction causes discharge of nervous impulses to brain. God's Word is emphatic..Ps. 94:9 "He that formed the eye, shall He not see?". Amazing design of God! Have you today thanked God for your eyes?

(2) Now let me demonstrate how we see with our ears..Again marvellous instruments..intricately designed..God given.. "He that planted the ear, shall he not hear?" Follow this: "Every member of this church is a born-again Christian" "Joe Blow is a member of this church." Conclus? How you know that..how "SEE" that? I didn't tell you! You saw it with your ears. Well, not quite..received thru. ears..but your brain saw it..by power of logic. You brain "SEES"..by use of lit. billions of interacting neurons engaged in instantaneous elec. chem. action. We call it "IN SIGHT". So you have double vision..Out sight and Insight. *light - sense perception*
----Have you considered poss. of triple vision? Used it?

I. Let me illus. by reading striking O.T. piece of history.

(a). About a frustrated king whose name not given to us. Very similar conditions as we find today..This king sent marauding bands against Israel..guerilla raids overborder. But found every strategy foreknown by Israelites..ev. plan frustrated. Decided Israel must have infiltrated his ranks ..high command..with highly intelligent spy system..Became suspicious of his own advisers. But somebody in his own spy corps enlightened him..like this: II Kings 6:12b..King said: "Let's go get him"..Gathered horses, chariots, great army.. to go after ONE man!..Came to town where Elisha lived..Dotha

(b). Surrounded city..and next morning..this: vs. 15
Servant went out to get morning paper..Dothan Daily..
and WITH PHYS. EYES SAW city surrounded by army of Syria.
Then he also SAW with insight. Like this:- "Armies of
Syria come to kill all of us in Dothan. We are in Dothan.
We are going to get it!". INSIGHT..brain worked..reasoned.
NOW:- Double sight not enough..no help there..trouble.

So Elisha prayed this prayer for the young man..vs.16-17
Look at that word "SAW". Not just with phys. eyes..or with
mental perception..NOW HIS EYES WERE "OPENED BY THE LORD"..
and he saw what phys. eyes cannot see apart from God's
touch...He saw the INVISIBLE..He had TRIPLE SIGHT!..

(c). I suggest to you that human life is like this.
We often see opposing circumstances..sick child..wayward
boy..girl..unpaid bills..escalating prices....and Secondly
we perceive dangers, troubles, difficulties that these
bring..cry "How shall I meet these things?" (Despair) ^{Real people}
And then we need what this young man found..TRIPLE SIGHT
..power to look beyond phys. realms..by SPIRITUAL SIGHT..
To see invisible resources of God..His provision and protect

II. Is there ques in mind? Are such things really there?

(a). That young man dreaming? Just a story? "I can live
in real phys. world..thru. senses..but anything beyond?"
Is a man anything diff. from cow..horse..rat, (in phys. world)
Does he die like a dog? Is there nothing beyond?
Is life merely "eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die!"

(b). Isn't it too easy to be a "Now" person/- of NOW generation
Nicodemus into trouble there..Had double sight..Saw Jesus ^{him}
who came by night..Then this: John 3:3, 4..Jesus said "
Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God"
(That "seeing" takes spir. sight)..Nic:- "How can a man be
born when he is old: can he enter the second time into his
mother's womb and be born?..How can these things be?"

Trying und. by mental sight instead of spir. sight.
Two walking to Emmaus on day Lord raised from dead..He
walked with them..Lk. 24:16 "Their eyes were holden" Lacked
spir. sight..and He went unrecog..Until vs.31 "Their eyes
were opened, and they knew him." Then they no longer
needed a phys sight of Him..He "vanished out of their sight"
When man sees Jesus by faith..needs no phys. sight of Him.
And God can give us that third vision..Acts 26:18 He came
to "open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to
light." That makes people complete people..triple vision.

III. All this so very relevant at this Christmas season.

(a). Plenty to see phys..Plenty to think about, say "How
shall we do?" May God also give us ability to look beyond.

faith

The Bethlehem shepherds were granted that "beyond" vision. Had double sight..watching flock by night..Intelligent men..aware of dangers..alert. Then came spir. sight... Lk. 2:8-15 (Read).////.....Wonderful sight! Angel escort. (b). And those other men..wise men from east..Double sight.. they SAW a star. Insight also..they reasoned that this had meaning..birth of a Jewish KING..for prophets had said so. and so came to Bethlehem..found the young child. Then came amazing SPIRITUAL SIGHT..Matt. 2:11 "They fell down and WORSHIPPED HIM"..not Mary, Joseph..but HIM..for recog. He was Deity..God manifested in flesh..And they went home SATISFIED.

Conclus:- 1:- Completed men! Satisfied! Triple sighted!
May God give us wisdom to understand all of this.
THERE IS A REALM BEYOND THIS MORTAL LIFE....God, angelic being a spiritual realm..as real as this one. More so. No tpossible for human spirit to expire..be annihil..We go ON..eternity. FROM THAT REALM JESUS CAME..INTO WORLD..TO LIVE AS MAN..GOD.
Mirac. born..Holy life..Sacrificial death..Glorious resurrec.
HE CAME TO OPEN OUR EYES TO NEW DIMENSIONS.

The god of this world had blinded our minds..Like all men our understanding was darkened..Limited to double sight..
But, like as our Lord Jesus touched eyes of blind men and they saw..so He came to touch us that we might see spiritual.. May not have vision of angels..but rather able live by faith. ..which is far better. True spiritual sight is faith-sight. THEN WE BECOME COMPLETED PEOPLE..AND WHOLLY SATISFIED!

2. May God give us strong vision this Xmas season. FIRST:-
to have und. opened..to see by faith that Jesus is the One He claimed to be..GOD THE SON..giving life for all people on earth..bec. He loves us all..Paying price we could not pay..price of our dreadful SIN. Is He this to you?....Ask.
AND WE WHO HAVE BELIEVED..BORN AGAIN..ENLIGHTENED...

Let God speak to us about the triple sight. Too easy to live a double sight life...SEE and lust after so many things. SEE that they may give us earthly pleasure. GOD GIVE US A LIFE OF FAITH..to live in third dimension..for the life beyond..into which we are all going..leaving every earth thing behind. God make us wise as wise men who GAVE AWAY their earth treasures..and went home SATISFIED bec. worshipped Jesus..God the Son. I want to go home..home to that realm beyond..SATISFIED. Don't you?

God said it - I believe it!
"Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence (proof - the seeing) of things not seen" (Heb 11:1) (phys. or mentally)

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