

## **THE MIND OF CHRIST SERIES**

### **THE EYES OF THE UNDERSTANDING**

We are still on the series on wisdom the Mind of Christ and we want to see some attributes of that mind, what that mind of Jesus does and how that mind operates.

So lets look at Eph.1: 17-19 it says here in Paul's prayer. Praying for the Ephesians *"that God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power."*

Now in verse 17 he is speaking about wisdom. Paul prayed that they will receive the spirit of wisdom and revelation. We have seen how wisdom is in the person of the Holy Spirit and the person of Jesus Christ. But we want to consider verse 18 too. See that wisdom comes upon the eyes. It says the eyes of your understanding. We have two pairs of physical eyes. We have what we call inner eyes. If you examine very carefully, the inner eyes are not referring to your spirit. Our spirit has eyes, those are different area altogether. There are spiritual eyes that we can look into the spirit realm. But looking very carefully at verse 18, it's referring to the eyes of your soul, because the word there is *understanding* in the original Greek *dianoia*, which refers to the eyes of your imagination. Now the particular thing about this is here, the eyes are the same eyes of your spirit and your soul. Those inner eyes seem to be what I call gateways into the spirit realm. It's

just like our physical eyes. It conveys physical images into our brain cells and nerve cells inside us. But yet it is at the same time being conveyed to our soul. When you see something physically your soul can desire for it. Your soul can interpret it. Your soul can have an abstract thought about it. So the eyes of our physical body have a link into that spirit realm all our perceptions. Somehow there is a connection, which is not physical. In the same way the eyes of the understanding, the inner eyes of the soul are intricately connected. They are not the eyes of the spirit but they are connected to the spirit man, the spirit world.

What we want to see as we consider wisdom and the mind of Christ is the word *eyes*. See eyes speak about something that see. We know physical eyes see light, and as long as there is light we can see. It depends on the medium of light. You could have the best pair of eyes; minus light you could not see anything. Not only do you have to have the best pair of eyes that are fully functional, you have to have a medium. The medium is light, physical light. Through physical light our eyes could interpret the images that we receive and we call that the sense of sight. In the same way, there are eyes of the understanding. There are inner eyes of the soul that are intricately connected to the spirit world. And they could be perfectly functional, yet they required a medium. Just as light is to the eye; the spirit of wisdom is to the inner eyes of our understanding. Now we realize that sometime there is light and it's the proper medium. But if the nerves in your eyes that have been destroyed, then you will not be able to see even though there is light. So there are two conditions that are important in order to see physically, the presence of a medium that I call light, and a fully functional eye.

In the same way, there are two requirements in order to operate in wisdom. We need our soul eyes be fully functional and to be fully functional it must be healed. The soul can have wounds that are similar to physical wounds. I mean words have hurt people, grievances and wrong things said and done have wounded people's soul in ways that are even worst than the physical body. And so all these wounds in our soul need to be healed for perfect functioning of the inner eyes. Which is why in our teaching we talk about how every time you have something of bitterness or hurt or grievances or anything that is against the spirit and the fruit of love, it will affect your intelligence. Your intelligence will be affected because it causes your soul to be dysfunctional. For example sin, if people go into sin, their conscience troubles them and their soul is not at rest. As a result

their intelligence is indirectly affected. It causes their soul eyes to be dysfunctional even when the Spirit of God is working and moving and imparting wisdom and revelations and ideas for your life. The medium could be correct, but with a dysfunctional soul, you cannot receive as much. We realize if part of your nerve gets destroyed, then you could see partially, it's quite difficult to move around. So in the same way, in the eyes of the soul, if our soul is dysfunctional or affected in the wrong way, our intelligence will be affected. You will notice this, people who have a lot of hurts, grievances have their thinking affected. Their thinking is not straight. They don't see things the way an intelligent person will see. They have what I call a colored glass. For example, a person is living in sin, in covetousness and all kind of jealousy, every time a person see something is through the same glasses. The power to evaluate objectively is no more there. Everything become subjective, so that affects person intelligence and the eye dysfunctional effect on the soul.

The other is the medium. You could have the best mind but that mind could have done better with the Spirit of God. If a person has a brilliant mind and they are born again they will even be greater, in greater measure. In other words the medium is important, which is the Spirit of God, the spirit of wisdom. So a medium comes into our lives when we are born again. But how much we yield to the Spirit of God, how much we spend time in prayer, spend time with God will determine the strength of the medium. Just like when it's night and the sun has set, the moon can shine to a different degree. But doing things by moonlight is not like doing things by sunlight. The light is lesser. Working with candlelight and working with a normal fluorescent light are different because the amount of light is different. You could do fewer things. In the same way, the amount of the medium would determine our ability and intelligence and developments. But this morning we want to see how that there are inner eyes of our understanding and operate in four ways. They see in four areas or four directions.

Lets look at Solomon, in the book of I kings. Solomon after he received wisdom from God. I kings 3, we all know the background of the story. How he prayed and God gave him wisdom and God enlarged his understanding and flooded with light. In Eph. 1: 17 & 18 the word enlightened is from the word *photizo*, (coming from the root word *phos* or light) and in Greek it means to be flooded with light. Not just a little light, its being flooded with light. So somehow

in a wonderful way God enlarged Solomon's understanding. And then we have the famous case that came before him. I Kings 3:16 *"Now two women who were harlots came to the king, and stood before him. And one woman said, O my lord, this woman and I dwell in the same house; and I give birth while she was in the house. Then it happened, the third day after I had given birth, that this woman also gave birth. And we were together; no one was with us in the house, except the two of us in the house. And this woman's son died in the night, because she lay on him. So she arose in the middle of the night and took my son from my side, while your maidservant slept, and laid him in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom. And when I rose in the morning to nurse my son, there he was dead. But when I had examined him in the morning, indeed he was not my son whom I had borne. Then the other woman said, No! But the living one is my son, and the dead one is your son. And the first woman said, No! But the dead one is your son, and the living one is my son. Thus they spoke before the king. And the king said, the one says, this is my son, who lives, and your son is the dead one, and the other says, No! But your son is the dead one, and my son is the living one. Then the king said, Bring me a sword. So they brought a sword before the king. And the king said, divide the living child in two, give half to one and half to the other. Then the woman whose son was living spoke to the king, for she yearned with compassion for her son; and she said, O my lord, give her the living child, and by no means kill him. But the other said, let him be neither mine nor yours but divide him. So the king answered and said, Give the first woman the living child, and by no means kill him, she is his mother."*

### **Ability to Read People's Hearts**

Now that is wisdom operating. It's only one of the four areas of the function of the eye. Here the wisdom that is operating the first category that I call seeing into the hearts of human beings. One of the functions of the mind of Christ is the ability to see into the hearts of people. You could see the motives of people; you could see what is hidden in their lives. One of the functions of wisdom is the ability to judge righteous judgment. Why, because it's not your judgment, it's God's judgment that is imparted to you. See what was happening here is this; Solomon had somehow through the miraculous impartation of wisdom, developed an ability to see into the hearts of human beings. He could tell and understand the function of compassion, emotions, what will be most meaningful to the mother and how a mother will react and all that is in her heart. So his judgment was based on his understanding of the heart. Now this is only one area of the understanding of the heart. There are many

areas.

Jesus at one time when two people came and said, divide my brother's inheritance with me, Jesus saw into the heart and knew that this person was covetous and instead of dividing the brother's inheritance for him and playing the judge, Jesus talked against covetousness. How wonderful it is when we have the wisdom of God and it function in one of these first areas of the eye. That is the ability to see into a person's heart, because when that is so you can never be deceived. One of the things that God said we will do and the church will be grow into is that the church will be no longer toss to and fro by every wind or doctrine that come our way. But the church will be firmly established. That is in Ephesians chapter 4, and that can only come to pass when that spirit of wisdom is soul working in the eye of our understanding. And it gives us a revelation of human being heart.

Now as we touch on these areas, sometimes it's going to look like the word of knowledge or the word of wisdom or the gift of faith. However it is not those gifts. It is the growth and the ability that God gives within a person's soul and spirit that as they grow into the mind of Christ, they develop an inherent ability to see into the hearts of human beings. They understand how people will react. They understand what is important to people, they understand what a person wants in life. Every one of us has goal in life and as you sit down and fellowship, you could discuss what a person is after, what a person is living for, what a person's attitudes are and his character. You could tell whether a person is going to be an easy person to get along or a very hard person to get along. The average person can tell to a certain extent and then the more experienced you are in life with different types of people, the more you are able to tell. But that is natural, I am talking about supernatural. God is going to give us with the mind of Christ a special wisdom that will enlighten our eyes that we could see right into the heart of people. Where a person tells you a lie, you know it. When people try to deceive you, you know it. That is important in the business world with a lot of dishonesty out there. You could tell the motive of people, and a lot of people have impure motives. A lot of people won't tell you what they actually think, what they actually desire. That's where discernment comes in. The growth of discernment is akin to this mind of Christ.

Now here is a prophesy in the Gospel of Luke. It tells us that Jesus is going to reveal many things of the heart of human beings. We are talking about the mind of Christ. In Luke 2:34, Simeon prophesy and said unto Joseph and Mary, *behold this child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against.* Verse 35, *“A sword will pierce through your own soul also, (and the final words) that the thoughts of many hearts shall be revealed.”* That’s the first function of the inner eye. Now after Adam fell into sin that ability was completely wiped out. We have only a tiny little bit of that and through having the mind of Christ and claiming the mind of Christ we have the ability restored in our lives.

The Gospel of John chapter 2, when Jesus’ ministry was taking off, and all the people were astounded at the signs and wonders that He did, in John 2:23 *“Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed in His name when they saw the signs which He did. But Jesus did not commit Himself to them, because He knew all men.”* See, we need to know and understand that there are different types of human being, different types of character, even many different types of Christians. So sometimes when I hear something, and my wife will tell me something this person says, I would ask, “Who said that?” If I found out that a certain person has made that remark, I would say, “Minus 50% truth from that statement”, or if another certain person said, I would minus 10% truth. Why, because you know that person well enough and you know the level of exaggeration that will be added. So we need to know people otherwise our lives will be instable. Through experience you know people can be sincere and yet they may not be matured. That’s another group altogether. So there are many groups that we need to understand.

In the ministry some people have good intentions, they want to do something but you are not interested in doing anything, you only want to obey God. So sometimes people will suggest do this or that, but there is no leading from God. You know they are sincere, you could sense it. There are other times where those who are not quite so sincere and the Spirit of God reveal. Now some of you may be thinking, if everybody has that, will we be peering into one another’s heart all the time? God is not going to reveal people’s hearts to us just for the sake of playing judge. It’s going to be as it is relevant to your life. In fact if a person’s attitude is to play judge, that person will never grow into wisdom because playing judge has a wrong attitude. A wrong attitude signifies a soul that is not perfect. A perfect soul

is a soul full of love. If there is imperfection it means dysfunction of the soul, dysfunction of the inner eye, perception is wrong. This is an important truth to know.

See we talk about the mind of Christ, but if we don't know what the mind of Christ does and what it does to us, what the wisdom does, we are not going to move into that. We need to know what the mind of Christ will do to us. We need to know what the mind of Christ is in order to establish wisdom in us. It will give you super eyes. Super eyes to see into people heart and as you grow into that, you are going to be more accurate. However it's not going to be so that you can tell others. Many times you just keep it to yourself. He just shows you and you know. You just keep it to yourself. It will just come out when necessary. He gives us the mind of Christ that we may know the hearts of all men.

### **Ability to See into the Future**

The second function of the inner eye. Not just to see hearts but to see into the future. Our body is limited by time but our soul is never to be limited by time. Neither is our spirit. Proof of that, when your body dies your spirit and your soul continues existing. This body became mortal after Adam fell. It was originally immortal. One day we will have that immortal body but our spirit and soul was never to be limited by the boundary of time. Just as our inner eyes right now, inside our imagination and in our mind, we could remember the past. If I were to say what happened last week, try to recall and you will be able to recall. Or think of the some pleasant incidents you have with your family members, your loved ones and your mind can recall. See your mind can move into the past. And it moves in such a way that we could make this statement. Your mind alone cannot tell the difference between what is imaginary and what is real. Let me give you an example here, when a person remembers something so clearly from the past, even their physical body starts experiencing the old symptom. The mind treats it as if it's happening. You see people who have been hypnotized into a state where they are experiencing the past, they do exactly and their heart pumps faster when they remember danger. Their whole body system function according to what their mind is thinking and bringing about. Why because the mind alone doesn't know the different what is imaginary and what is real. To the mind it's real because it's seen

and experienced. And the interesting is that people in the hypnotic state, they will do things exactly as if it will happen. People who have been hypnotized and they are told, there is a fire burning your hand, their hand literally get scalded without the fire. Because their mind cannot tell the difference between what is imaginary under a hypnotized state and what is real and it instructs the body to produce all the necessary things to combat the fire. And the body produces it.

See such is our mind. It was not made to function alone without the spirit. Sometimes people can live in a state of being seduced and oppressed. Another words, they are so deceived they think there is something when something is not there. If you could convince somebody that something is not there and yet they believe it's there, they are going to behave as if it's there. That's happening all the time. Why is it that in many homes, just because one of those, sometimes the wife, sometimes the husband began to fear that the other partner is unfaithful, perhaps there is no such thing, then they develop the fear. That fear comes into their lives. The mind is convinced and they become suspicious. Then their behavior is no more living. They become very suspicious and the relationship strained. And then something that is not there suddenly because of the strained relationship began to produce. Faith produces after its kind. Faith attracts what you believe for. Fear attracts what you fear for. Why, because of the mind. See the mind does not know the difference between what is imaginary and what is real. So what is real? Jesus says I am the way, the truth, and the life. The word truth is also translated I am reality. There is only one reality Jesus Christ. So with that we see here that just a mind, the inner eyes can experience the past. So the inner eye has the ability to go into the past. And the amazing thing is that God originally created us to have this ability to see into the future. The same soul, the same inner eye had the supernatural ability to see into the future.

When Adam and Eve fell into sin, their mind was blocked up and darkened. And the ability to see into the future was reduced almost to zero. Today when you talk about a wise man, what do you think about? You think that someone has the ability to predict and prepare or plan for future thing, that is part and parcel of wisdom. And in fact the Bible speaks about wisdom and being wise as having the ability to see into the future. Even the very word, the word of wisdom, which is the gift of the Holy Spirit. Why is it called wisdom? A word of wisdom, a word about that entire God knew from Alpha to Omega. God knows the

future, He knows everything and God gives a small part of that wisdom. Why is it called the word of wisdom, because wisdom in essence has to do with the inherent ability to see into the future.

Rev.13 isn't it interesting that after he named all these prophecies he makes this statement in verse 18 "*Here is wisdom.*" He is talking about wisdom; he is not even talking about the word of wisdom. Anyone who taps on the wisdom of God, anyone who moves into the realm of wisdom, let him who has understanding. What is the understanding? The understanding is a function of the inner eyes. The eyes of the understanding in verse 18 of Ephesians one. Our understanding have eyes "calculate the number of the beast for it is a number of a man. His number is 666."

Now here is something in the future as far as John was concerned and here he speaks about that wisdom as something possible. Knowing what will come to pass. Knowing the future. The knowledge of that depends on the eyes of the understanding, perceiving the things of the future. It's the second function of the inner eye. And Jesus Christ, when we were born again, says He gives us a spirit of truth in the Gospel of John. And He will show us the things to come. We should, the more renewed your mind is the more you begin to tap into the mind of Christ. You begin to develop the same ability to look into the future as easily as people look into the past. There is no problem in you. But again I say it has to be a certain position and certain solitude with God, certain rest position with God where you could move into the future and you could move into the past. And if you have that mind of Christ you could look into somebody's eyes, you could look into somebody's life, you could see their hearts and you could see their future. I am not talking about being a fortuneteller but we are talking about the mind that Christ Jesus had. See the moment Jesus saw Peter in the Gospel of John, He says you are Simon. Jesus knew his heart, Jesus knew his name and Jesus knew his future.

In the Gospel of Luke when Jesus Christ told His disciples, truly, truly one of you will betray me and then Jesus said, all of you are going to be scattered. And then Peter came and said no, though all people forsake you, I will not forsake you. Then Jesus said, you will deny me three times and he said, I have prayed for you. Satan asked for you. Jesus knew the future of Peter. Every one who has the mind

of Christ knows it. Jesus knew when His time was up. In John 17 He says the time has come for Him to go home. Peter knew when he was going to go home. If Peter, the time has come for him to lay aside his tabernacle that is his body. Paul says in II Tim. I have fought the good fight and he has kept the faith. He says he is ready to go home. In Philippians Paul says he is not finished yet. He still got work to do. He knew the future. The Bible says the Spirit of God was given to us that we might know the things to come. The more developed we are in the mind of Christ, we could perceive the future. Our own future first of all as easily as we perceive our past. There is no time with God. Time only exist in the physical world. Your soul was never made to be limited by the physical world. It could move into the realm of the future. The fact is it's so easy to see into the future. When you are waiting on God, you are praying, your mind, your soul is one with Jesus. When the mind of Jesus flows through your life and you know what you are going to do. The second thing the inner eye will do, to see into the future.

## **Ability to be Objective**

Thirdly, the inner eye will help you to see objectively your past and your present. One of the most difficult things to do is to see objectively because we are all subjective. Every thing we see is colored by our desires. Colored by our own goals, colored by our limitations, covered by influence, colored by our background and so it's very difficult to see objectively. But the eye of the understanding touched by the medium of the Spirit of wisdom is able to see things objectively. The way God sees it. That's what the eyes are for. Now here is another man called Stephen in the book of Acts and some background to that story is given in chapter 6. Everything we talk about Jesus function in because we have that mind. Acts 6:10 notice here a statement made about Stephen, *And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the Spirit by which he spoke.* Obviously Stephen functioned in the wisdom of God. See wisdom is not just the ability to know a principle or to know a function. It's the ability to know how people will react to it.

For example, if you know how something will work, you have a plan, but if your plan does not include the action of people, your wisdom is half or even a quarter because part of working out a plan is knowing how people react to that

plan. That's how God plan things. He knows how we are going to react and He got all the back up plans. Sometimes a person is considered intelligent and wise just because they have the answer and the way to do something. That's not good enough.

Intelligence in the Bible includes knowing how people will respond and being prepared for it. And knowing how to do it in such ways that people know how to respond. Solomon's wisdom, he knew how the two mothers will respond. He knew the hearts of the mother. So he could devise the plan by which he will gather a response that he know will come forth. Here Stephen function in that tremendous wisdom. He demonstrated a portion of that wisdom in his sermon in Acts 7. In his sermon he takes the past. He starts from Abraham and then he goes on to Moses and Joseph. He is analyzing the past record of the Jews. Then he brings it to the present and he tells them this is what that means.

Now preaching like Acts 2, Peter stood up and said this was that which Joel prophesied. See the ability to relate all the past to the present objectively. As we know that it's easy to just jump up to conclusion if you don't have all the facts. But it's hard to have all the facts if we are subjective. And we are all subjective to a certain extend and that is why sometimes it's easier for others to see your life than for you to see your own life. For example, in a relationship situation, life partner situation and you are already in a situation and you are praying. All you hear is yes, yes. It's very hard because you like that person and you want to say yes and everything in you before you ask God, you already said yes. It's hard to be objective. That's where the mind of Christ helps us. It brings perspective and objective activity to our situation. Stephen was able to see into all those past and he gave them in a tremendous wisdom. He brought a lot of things about revelations of Moses that was never recorded in the Old Testament how the reason why Moses came to see the Israelites because he knew God had called him. The reason why he killed the Egyptian was so that he was his deliverer. That means that he knew, he understood that Moses was called of God even before the burning bush. All these relationship come at the third area that the mind of Christ and the wisdom. The inner eyes give us the ability to see the past and the present objectively.

## Ability to See into the Spirit World

Now the fourth operation of the inner eye that we have, the mind of Christ that God has given is the ability to see into the spirit world. Like I mentioned earlier, some of these things we touched or looked at function like the gifts of the Spirit but they are not. They are the development of the human spirit and the development of the soul man. In Ephesians chapter 4 we have here in reference to the gentiles who were not born again in verse 18 *“Having the understanding darkened being alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them because of the hardening of their hearts.”* He is saying the moment Adam and Eve fell there is an alienation from God and the heart hardened and the mind was darkened. That condition is found in all Gentiles who do not know Jesus and their minds are darkened. Before Adam and Eve fell into sin they could see the spirit world as easily as they could see the natural world. If an angel comes into the Garden of Eden, they say hello angel. But the moment they sinned, their inner eye became dysfunctional. They could not see the spirit world like before and up to today, in our incomplete state of perfection; we sometimes see the spirit world through an open vision, which is a gift of the Spirit. But this is a marvelous promise. As we develop and grow in the mind of Christ, the experience of the spirit world and seeing into the spirit world become a part and parcel of your life.

When Jesus walked on this earth, all the time He knew if an angel came or an angel went. He knew if a demon came or a demon went. He could see the spirit world as easily as He sees the natural world because He had a perfect mind. The Bible says we have the mind of Christ and the fourth thing that is involved having the mind of Christ is that inherent ability to know the spirit world like the physical world. If you are talking about seeing the spirit world all the time, they say no, it comes as the Spirit wills. There is no problem about that since that is the gift of the Spirit. But we are talking about the development of the mind of Christ. The perfection of the mind of Christ in an individual. We need to know what it will be like to be perfected, so that we could recognize it on our way to perfection. So we are giving to you what a perfected individual born again Christian would be if they have the full mind of Christ. That tells us all of us are functioning in a partial mind of Christ. A day will come as the church is perfected that we reach that stage before the rapture. But the mind of Christ is such that the inner eye could see the spirit world all the time. The more you fellowship with God the more the spirit

world looks so natural. It's very normal for people to talk about seeing angels, seeing Jesus come. I am not talking about seeing with the physical eye. When the gifts of the Spirit operate and you have an open vision call discerning of spirits. Even your physical eyes are temporarily suspended to see but I am talking about the inner eye that Ephesians 1:18 says. So you will know when Jesus comes into the room. Jesus has come to meet with me many times. He appeared in an open vision to me in January 1986 but there have been times when He comes into the bedroom sit on my mattress and I talked with Him. These are exceptional cases. These are normal things we are talking about. I am not talking about strange things. There are people when they get into these things, they get lop-sided, and they see a demon under every chair. I am talking about being able to be sane, scientific intelligent and still see the spirit world. That development is possible. It's possible when we began to possess the fullness of the mind of Christ. It was originally Adam's and it is our right in Jesus Christ to develop in that realm. Every time we have a meeting, I would know exactly whether there are demons in people's life. Every time we worship God I know where Jesus is standing and I know what He is doing.

I want to encourage some of you because some of you are so sincere and so hard working in the Lord. You are growing and beginning to experience a bit of that of seeing the spirit world all the time. You are thinking that there is something wrong in you. Pastor lay hands and pray over me to stop that process. No, we will not stop that process we will pray increase the process. Let them see into the spirit world until literally you live almost in an open vision but not exactly open vision because this physical body is not yet made for the spirit world. It's only suspended state but your soul that is renewed that has the perfect mind of Christ has the inherent ability to 24 hours of the time to experience and know the spirit world.

And as we look into Jesus' life in the Gospel of Matthew, we see one of the major keys to develop in these 4 areas. Matthew 6:22 "*The lamp of the body is the eye.*" He is talking about the same thing I am talking about. We have inner eyes. The inner eye has 4 realms. Can see into the heart of a person. Can see into the future, can see objectively the past and the present. Can see into the spirit world. These are four areas you could check your level of your inner eye. The level you have experience of these four areas tells us the true level of your inner spiritual state. People who are highly spiritualized will move into all these four areas. The lamp of

the body the body is the eye. He is not talking about the physical eye. *If therefore your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light.* So you must have good inner eyes of the understanding. But if your eye is bad your whole body will be full of darkness. *If therefore the light that is in your eye is darkness how great is that darkness.* If your eye is dark all these four areas are shut up. Can you imagine how helpless you are if you cannot see the heart of people and discern it?

In order to develop the inner eye, we need to move out of the cycle of just living for food, clothing, and shelter. You need to explore beyond that. What is life? Why am I here? If you ask the average person who is earning a good salary, if you don't have to earn a living and if everything that you wanted to buy and all the money you need is automatically given to you. Would you be doing what you are doing? Most of the answer I get is no. Some of them would say actually I would prefer to be a musician, some will say actually I would really love to just explore how this world is like it is. You see most of the people who are working are working for food, clothing and shelter. This is the world we live in. This is the world in its fallen state. You have to work as part of the living, part of the toil that came at Adam's time. Isn't it lovely that in heaven, your mansion is all paid for? But as for now, we see how even though we have responsibilities, duties to perform to bring about our daily food, clothing and shelter, Jesus said, do not worry. In other words do not allow your mental capacity that was not created for food, clothing and shelter to remain there. But your mind was created to go something deeper than that. Don't let the cares of this world occupy too much of your gray matter. Don't let it occupy your mind. Your mind was created more powerful than just to seek about food, clothing and shelter. Our mind was created greater than that. Most of all it was created to know God. There is so much in knowing God. Jesus said in John 17, this is eternal life to know God. So Jesus is saying here developing the good eye. Eyes that is full of light that will flood our being with light.

One key we must keep ourselves separate and understand that life consists more than food, clothing and shelter. These are not the goals of life. In the world that is their goal. Those are not worthy goals. Jesus said, seek first the kingdom of God and basically He is pointing here and says we must break free from the gravity and bondage of food, clothing and shelter. So if your entire mind is just going into that area, it will never function. Set your affection on things above. Set your mind

on God. One easy way you could always do is you just let the name of Jesus vibrate through your whole being. And all that comes to the mind is the name of Jesus. Jesus repeated over and over again. And let your mind ascend into that stage. That doesn't mean that God is not going to care for your food, clothing and shelter. Here is what God said, when your mind began to rise above food, clothing and shelter into the realm of God and fellowship with God to know God and to understand the creation of God. When you have fellowship with God and you come down all these things are added to you. Your mind has a larger capacity to know what are food, clothing and shelter. You know how to get it because it is added unto you. You may come down from that experience with 20 ideas.