

## **UPGRADING YOUR VISION**

### **Part 2: How We See God**

#### **THE DIFFERENT RESPONSES OF THE TWO SPIES**

- Insight into the bigger, better vision of Caleb and Joshua (*Joshua 14:7-8 NKJV*)
  1. Brought word as it was in his heart
  2. Wholly followed God

#### **HOW WE SEE THINGS**

- Three key areas of vision
  1. How we see God
  2. How we see ourselves
  3. How we correlate this into our lives

#### **GETTING IT WRONG GETTING IT RIGHT**

- The right view of the master (*Matthew 25:20-21 NKJV*)
  1. The master gave his servants his goods
  2. He praised them for doing well
  3. He advanced them - gave them greater responsibility
- The wrong view of the master (*Matthew 25:24-25 NKJV*)
  1. He saw the master as a hard man and a thief
  2. His perception led him to be afraid

#### **THE BLIND MAN WHO SAW** (*Mark 10:46-52 NKJV*)

- He "saw" Jesus
  1. He saw Jesus as the Son of David
  2. He saw Jesus as the healer
  3. He saw Jesus as merciful/good
  4. All this was based on what Bartimaeus heard (*Psalms 119:130 NKJV*)
- When it became personal
  1. The people were not for Bartimaeus
  2. He did not know if Jesus was for him - until Jesus called for him
  3. Bartimaeus stopped seeing himself as a blind man
  4. He received his healing

#### **HOW DO WE SEE GOD?**

- Against us, for us, or neutral?
  1. Jesus gave us a great picture (*John 14:7-9 NKJV*)
  2. The Father's love (*John 3:16-17 NKJV*)
  3. God's stance toward us (*Romans 8:31-32 NKJV*)
- Bringing the light home (*Psalms 119:162-165 NKJV*)
  1. Rejoicing at God's Word as if it's valuable
  2. Turning away from what is not true - loving what is
  3. Praising God for His word and His goodness
  4. Loving God's Word - causes peace and light