

# Clarity Series - Seeing Clearly

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## I. Obstructions & Illusions

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## II. Blinded...

By Sadness or Depression

Luke 24:30-35

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By Self-Delusion

John 9:35-41

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By Satanic Deception

2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 4:4

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## III. Seeing God Through The Haze

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## Personal Reflection

Take time this week to pray & respond to the following:

*Impaired vision is a serious situation. It has the potential to result in severe harm to both the affected individual & those unfortunate enough to be in their vicinity. For this reason, untold millions are spent each year in an effort to improve vision & enable those with reduced or lost vision to better function in day-to-day life.*

*Like physical sight, spiritual sight is a gift from God that involves much more than personal independence & mobility. Seeing God clearly & perceiving His presence & activity, are essential components of a productive Christ-centered life.*

*A key to seeing God clearly is resisting & overcoming spiritual blindness. Though it may manifest in many ways, spiritual blindness often results from being depressed, deluded or deceived. The end-result of spiritual blindness is the inability to perceive the presence & activity of God. For a Christ-follower, this division between oneself & the Lord is an awful & unnecessary condition in which to live.*

*When was the last time you clearly saw God at work in & around you? Are you presently struggling with an inability to see or an ambivalence toward seeing God? Do you long for days of clarity in which God's presence is obvious & His handiwork is boldly on display?*

*Prayerfully ask God to enable you see Him through the haze of depression, delusion & deception that is so frequent throughout life. Ask Him to give you eyes to see the evidence of His work all around. Moreover, ask Him to reveal your place in His unfolding plan. Commit to walk by faith as He gives depth & clarity to your spiritual sight. Rejoice in God's faithfulness, mercy & patience as He gives you direction today, tomorrow & into the future.*