

2020 Vision – Part 2

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The defining question: Do you know that you are made in the image of God and how it reveals God's love for you?

Genesis 1:27 (NKJV) - So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

- Without seeing God's love revealed in this act, it will be impossible to see God's vision for your life.
- We all need the corrective lenses of the image of God to have 20/20 vision

There are 2 kingdom lens options

1. the lens that blurs God's image
2. The lens of God's image

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II Corinthians 4:4 - *Satan*, the god of this age has blinded the minds of those who do not believe, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

How do we take that lens off?

Romans 12:2 - don't conform to the image, behaviors and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by renewing your mind and changing the way you think. then you will learn to know God's will [his 20/20 vision] for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Ephesians 4:22-23 - that you put off, concerning your former way of life, the old man which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind.

II Peter 2:6-8 - Later, God condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah and turned them into heaps of ashes. He made them an example of what will happen to ungodly people (*Those living outside the Image of God*). And God delivered Lot, who was a just man, who was distressed by the ungodliness and wickedness around him. for that righteous man, living among them, was tormented in his mind, by their lawless actions, that he both saw and heard, day after day. heard and saw, day after day.

Lot is an example of what happens when we don't put off the lens that blurs God's image.

- All forms of depression, anxiety and fear come through this manner.
- It distorts God's image in us.

2. The lens of God's image

When we put this lens on, our life gets transformed.

II Corinthians 3:18 (NKJV) - So all of us who have had that blinding veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord as in a mirror, and are being transformed into the same image glory to glory, just as by the spirit of the Lord.

How do I put that lens on? – purposefully.

Ephesians 4:22-24 (NKJV) - that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man, which was created according to God [*His Image*], in true righteousness and holiness.

I must proclaim that in Him

- I have peace
- Fear has no power over me
- I am accepted and completed by god
- He is my ever-present help in times of trouble
- I'm the head & not the tail
- I'm delivered from the power of darkness
- The eyes of my understanding are opened