

Matthew 18:10



## EYES TO SEE

I was recently asked why I choose to work with these kids. The answer was easy...God put them in my life with abundant grace and love for them. In 2019, the Lord gave me new eyes as He began to show me the beauty He put in each child. I see world changers who are incredibly gifted, but have not put those gifts into action. They have been blinded to what God has created them to do. He taught me how look past behavioral issues to understand why the reactions occur, so we can pray and teach them how to overcome.

So many children are surrounded by violence, abuse, neglect, drugs and the pressure to conform to that surrounding. The enemy is after our children! It is 100% spiritual and we must battle in the spirit to set the captives free. We cannot sit back and think others will do it, when it is the church's job. This goes for not only our families, but our cities, states and nations! We all have gifts that the Lord gave to us...are you using them for Kingdom purposes?

*"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, Because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to captives and freedom to prisoners." Isaiah 61:1*

Let's get real...many of us do our daily duties and live life for ourselves. I was that person and I worked for a church, so I get it! It was easy to overlook people and think they are like that because they made bad choices. We have all made bad choices, but Jesus never gave up on us and He used other people to reach us. Don't you think Jesus is ready to use you to help others? I encourage you that when the Lord highlights someone to you, STEP OUT, PRAY AND SPEAK LIFE OVER THEM. Rebuke passivity and fear of man and watch what the Lord will do through you!

*Your actions can change lives! Andrea G. Jones*

**Our mission is to empower youth to pursue their God-given potential and step into their Kingdom calling. Our hearts burn to see youth truly know who they are in Christ and awaken them to the greatness inside of them. This is done through relationships and knowing the heart of Christ.**

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# HIGHLIGHTS

- In our April outreach we had guest speaker, Ben Saunders, to teach about "Stranger Danger" and we also discussed telling someone if someone has hurt them in any way.
- We taught the children about the importance of communion. We went through repentance, took communion together and gave thanks to Jesus.
- We have a large group of children who attend church every Sunday. To see those who while everyone else is sleeping, they get up and dressed to come to church...Come on Jesus!!



# MAY DEVO

*Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Matthew 6:26*

Not only does God provide for us exactly what we need, but he leaves out the things that will surely lead to darkness. Take for example Adam and Eve – they were given an abundance of good food to choose from in the garden God placed them in. The unique thing about God, is that He knows exactly what we need. Even if at times we don't agree with his provision, we must trust that God, also known as Jehovah Jireh, meaning "the Lord will provide," ultimately knows what is best for us and that He has our best interests in mind.

*...ye have not, because ye ask not. – James 4:2*

This is an immensely popular scripture to quote when you are praying and believing God for something in your life. Jesus instructs us to 'ask' in many places in Scripture, so it makes sense that if you don't have something, it could be because you didn't ask for it. Does this mean that God will give me whatever I ask for?

DON'T JUST GRAB A VERSE THAT SOUNDS GOOD WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING WHAT'S AROUND IT AND KNOWING GOD'S HEART. Motives are so important, and sometimes we can be blinded and not see them in our own heart. Thankfully, God is not blind, and He is willing to expose motives if you ask Him.

*Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me and lead me in the way everlasting. Psalm 139:23-24*

When your motives are right you can be certain and trust that what He has is going to be the best answer for you. This doesn't mean God will always answer exactly the way you want. He is God, after all, and He does have a plan for your life. It simply means God has something different in mind for you.

### LET'S PRAY

Father, thank you that you know what I need before I even ask or speak. You care for the birds in air, yet I'm created in your image! Forgive me for any doubt I have had. I place my trust in you Father! All glory to God! Amen.

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