



“Open My Eyes”

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I. **Matthew 13:10-17**

A. There are 2 laws in motion concerning closed eyes...

1. Deception from the enemy (lack of knowledge)
2. The Pride of Man's Heart (Rejected Knowledge) / **Hosea 4:6**
 - Do not be ignorant of Satan's devices.
 - The weapons of your warfare can only be mighty if you retain the knowledge that makes them mighty (in other words, you cannot defeat Satan if your eyes are not completely open to the enemy's tactics and also open to your own refusal of rejecting God and His knowledge).
 - How long will the church fight the truth of His Word? It is much more difficult to open one's eyes that they have shut themselves than one's eyes that Satan has closed!

B. **Acts 26:12-18**

1. What is God's simple plan? *To open your eyes, turn from darkness to light, deliver from the power of Satan to God, receive forgiveness, and receive your inheritance!*
2. **Luke 4:18** (Sight to the Blind)

II. The Prayer we should pray most...

A. **Psalm 119:17-18**

1. **II Kings 6:17** “Open his eyes that he may see...”
2. **Acts 9:17-18** – The state of God's people today: hardened heart produces blinded eyes!

B. **Revelation 3:18**

1. Eyesalve – referring to the restoration of spiritual vision.
2. In the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve's eyes were closed to evil and open to God; this all changed when they ate of the forbidden fruit (they were open to evil and closed to God). How do we change it? Go back to the beginning!