

## Watchman Part 27

*(The watchman Use His Eyes Carefully)*

***“2 Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.” (Hebrews 12:2)***

**Hebrews 12:2** it teaches us to fix our eyes on Jesus. The eyes are very important organs in the body and the Lord had given the eyes to man so he can see, and what he see will help him to serve God and fulfill God’s purpose.

The eyes are important for man to see his ways and to walk from place to place. Blind people would need people to guide them. Therefore the eyes help us to move from place to place. The eyes also are given to man so can read, write, work arts and crafts in his hands, etc.

**Hebrews 12:2** teaches us that the eyes as they are fixed on Jesus and on the word of God they will protect man from falling into sin and temptation. But in certain times the eyes can be used in a wrong way and become instruments of wickedness that will bring destruction into our lives. We will review certain Scripture that outline that in more detail.

**1- “6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.” (Genesis 3:6):** The woman here had used her eyes in a wrong way. Her eyes enticed her to sin against God. Instead of restraining her of sinning against God she was tempted to transgress against God’s command by eating from the fruit of the forbidden tree.

**2- “20 Achan replied, “It is true! I have sinned against the LORD, the God of Israel. This is what I have done: 21 When I saw in the plunder a beautiful robe from Babylonia, two hundred shekels of silver and a wedge of gold weighing fifty shekels, I coveted them and took them. They are hidden in the ground inside my tent, with the silver underneath.” (Joshua 7:20-21)** Achan’s eyes led him to covet and steal. He lusted with his eyes toward worldly things that caused him to sin and brought destruction into His life. The word of God remind us to avoid that, **“15 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For everything in the world--the cravings of sinful man, the lust of his eyes and the boasting of what he has and does--comes not from the Father but from the world.” (1John 2:15-16)** God had given eyes so that we can see what is going on around and fight the good fight, do what is good and be a good testimony to others.

**3- “I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl.” (Job 31:1):** The eyes can be used for a wrong purpose and promote immoralities. Men should control their eyes and not to look lustfully on women. Women in the same way should control their eyes and not to look lustfully on men. Jesus said, **“27 You have heard that it was said, ‘Do not commit adultery.’ 28 But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.” (Matthew 5:27-28)** repent and renounce all your sins and do not use your eyes to do wrong. Better then, **“If your right eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for**

***your whole body to be thrown into hell.” (Matthew 5:29)*** You need to restrain and control your eyes from looking into bad things. Read the following story of how the eyes can lead you to sin: ***“2 One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the palace. From the roof he saw a woman bathing. The woman was very beautiful, 3 and David sent someone to find out about her. The man said, “Isn't this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite?” 4 Then David sent messengers to get her. She came to him, and he slept with her. (She had purified herself from her uncleanness.) Then she went back home. 5 The woman conceived and sent word to David, saying, “I am pregnant.” (2Samuel 11:2-5)***

Ham was cursed after he saw the nakedness of his father, ***“Ham, the father of Canaan, saw his father's nakedness and told his two brothers outside.” (Genesis 9:22) “24 When Noah awoke from his wine and found out what his youngest son had done to him, 25 he said, “Cursed be Canaan! The lowest of slaves will he be to his brothers.” (Genesis 9:24-25)***

**4- “I will set before my eyes no vile thing. The deeds of faithless men I hate; they will not cling to me.” (Psalm 101:3)** Avoid watching TV, movies, playing games, and unnecessarily browsing the web pages. All these things impart vile things through your eyes to your mind and heart and get them spoiled and lead you to take wrong steps, behaving in a wrong way and tempted to take bad decisions.

**5- “The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are good, your whole body will be full of light.” (Matthew 6:22)** Your eyes can keep your whole body in the light of God and things will go smooth with you. You will not fall in sin and you will not take wrong steps or tempted to take wrong decisions. **“But if your eyes are bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!” (Matthew 6:23)** God gave you the eyes to see certain things and certain things you should not see to avoid downfall.

**6- “28 “Lord, if it's you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.” 29 “Come,” he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!” (Matthew 14:28-30):** Peter was called by God to walk on the water. His eyes should be fixed on the Lord so he can achieve what God had called him to achieve. But what had happened Peter used his eyes and fixed them on the wind and started to sink down.

**7- “3 “Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? 4 How can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? 5 You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.” (Matthew 7:3-5)** Check first yourself and not others.

**My Dear and Beloved: Hebrews 12:2** remind us to fix our eyes on Jesus and not on the world, not on the forbidden fruit, not on other people, and not on trials so we can walk victoriously and achieve the purpose of God in our generation. As a watchman I am encouraging you to examine yourself and examine your eyes and remove whatever plank that might makes you ineffective toward the purpose of God as you commit yourself to serve God, live for him and agree to pray.

**My Prayer:** *Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord thank you for your word that help me to see my real spiritual condition. Lord I repent from the following sins, \_\_\_\_\_, Lord I commit myself to use my eyes properly as you ordained for me to use. Lord keeps reminding me of your word and instructions. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.*