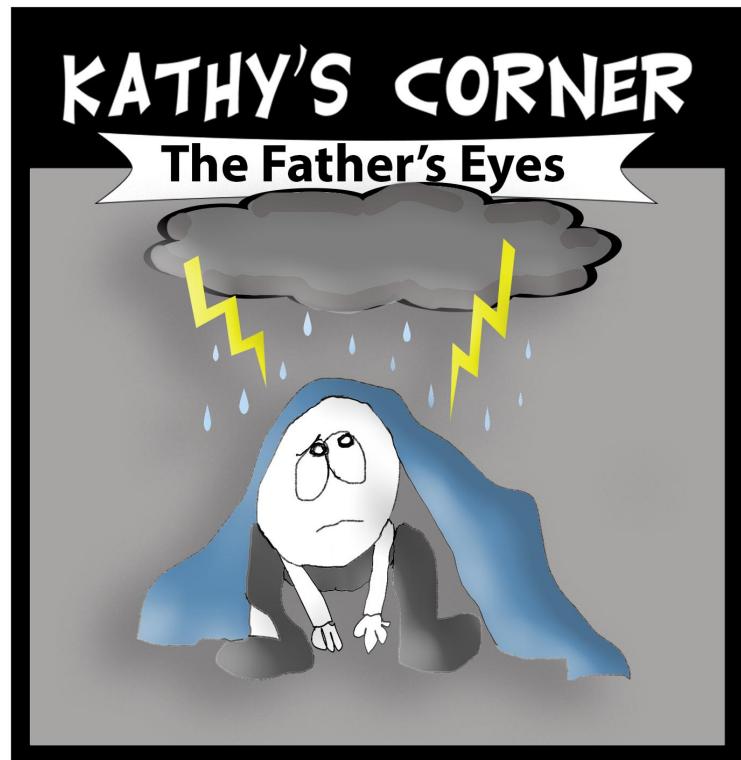


# The Father's Eyes

Sometimes I wish that I had a ruler to measure things the way that God sees them. In a sense we do through the Holy Spirit. I know I am not the only one who desires this, as many times I have heard others pray for discernment. It would certainly help to prioritize and to really know what's going on in situations and lives, so that we could counsel and bless appropriately.

**The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good.** (Proverbs 15:3 NIV)

Nothing escapes the eyes of the Lord. Thankfully, this Lord is the believer's Father—our God. Our God is for us. There will be justice in His time.



**For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.** (1 Peter 3:12 NIV)

Obviously, we cannot see everything, know everything, and be everywhere at the same time, as He can, but there are some areas of being able to see in which we should be more like Him. Do you have your Father's eyes?

In 1 Samuel 16:7 the Lord speaks to Samuel concerning whom he was to anoint to be king: **“Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”** (NIV)

We saw in the parable of the prodigal son how differently the Father's reaction to the son's return was from the brother's reaction.

The Father sees where we are headed and where we are. He knows what it takes to get us where we need to be. He sees the end from the beginning. He works accordingly for the good of those who love Him. He meets us in obscure places for a purpose, as He did Moses in the wilderness; and when we are humble we just might hear, “Come up higher!” **Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.** (James 4:10 KJV)

Pleasing in God's sight is His Son, Yeshua, Jesus. He said, **“This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”** (Matthew 3:17 NKJV) We are pleased with Jesus also. His sacrifice, His blood covers us so that God is able to see us cleansed—white as snow, though our sins are as scarlet. And through Jesus' resurrection came the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit glorifies the Son, not Himself. The Holy Spirit in us wants to do the same. You have an unction, an anointing within. Let Him worship, praise and bring glory to God through you. You will know when He is in it with you; it is so uplifting.

David wrote in Psalm 63:6-7, **On my bed I remember you; I think of you through the watches of the night. Because you are my help, I sing in the shadow of your wings.** (NIV) This was written when David was fleeing in the wilderness, a tough time for David. He meditated because he had a kingdom to fight for, psalms to write, a God to love and serve; he was destined to rule and lead, and to be victorious. Are these things also for us?

I have taken opportunity to meditate in the night myself this week, as sickness has made it difficult to sleep. This morning at 2 am, waking with nausea and a throbbing head, almost backing out on writing this article as I am ***under the weather***, so-to-speak; but I have a God to love and serve, songs to sing, and a kingdom to fight for, and a victory—satan doesn't win this time!

I will end with my favorite verse about the Father's eyes: **For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him.** (From 2 Chronicles 16:9 NKJV) What an awesome God we have with us—Emmanuel!