

# HOW \_\_\_\_\_ SEES THINGS

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I. \_\_\_\_\_ sees the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.  
Is 11:1; Js 1:19-21; 2:14;  
Lk 12:1, 15; 15:1-3; 11a; 16:1, 14-15

A. \_\_\_\_\_ leading others into \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ps 23:4; 27:1-3; 34:9; 91:5-6;  
Ps 112:7; Matt 10:28b;  
Rom 11:20; I Pt 1:17; Phil 2:12;  
I Cor 8-10

B. \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of others.  
Eph 4:31-32; Matt 18:21-22;  
I Cor 13:5; Lk 11:4

II. By \_\_\_\_\_ we see \_\_\_\_\_ as God has \_\_\_\_\_.  
Rom 6:6; II Cor 5:17, 21

A. As \_\_\_\_\_.  
Jn 1:12; I Tim 1:15

B. As those who \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord because it's our \_\_\_\_\_.  
Lev 13:45

III. \_\_\_\_\_ us.

A. By His \_\_\_\_\_, through \_\_\_\_\_, the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ us from our \_\_\_\_\_.  
Rom 10:14

B. Real \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord.  
Ps 92:1

thanks; praises

Fill-ins: FAITH; dangers; sin; faith; fears; sin; faith; forgives; sins; faith; ourselves; revealed; unworthy; servants; obey; duty; faith; heal; mercy; faith; cleansed; leprosy; faith;

# SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

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## DISCUSSION

- In this week's message, Dave Bechtel defined faith as, "believing what God has revealed." See Hebrews 11:1. Romans 14:23b defines sin as "whatever does not proceed from faith" [ESV].
  - How have you defined faith and sin?
  - What are some obstacles to faith that Christians encounter, and how might these lead us to sin, that is, doing things apart from faith?
- Read Luke 17:1-3a.
  - What are some examples of things people may do to make others stumble?
  - What is something you might do, deliberately or not, that could make another stumble? Consider the severity of the consequences to you and the other in doing this.
- Read Luke 17:3b-6.
  - Share a time when you withheld forgiveness from someone, or someone withheld forgiveness from you. What do you think was driving the unwillingness or inability to forgive?
  - How did the disciples respond to Jesus' command here?
  - How does having faith in the Lord help us to forgive others?
- Read Luke 17:7-10. Why is it important to see ourselves not only as children of God, but as unworthy servants?
- Read Luke 17:11-19.
  - Thinking of leprosy as a picture of sin, what is something from which the Lord has healed you, or something from which you need forgiveness and healing? This could be a grudge, a stumbling block, lack of faith, pride, ingratitude, an offense, or mistreatment.
  - Like the single leper, thank the Lord for healing you have received.

## APPLICATION

Faith can only grow in the presence of God. Like a plant, it first sprouts when heat comes upon a small seed and it sees the light. It grows with nurturing and exposure to the elements. Great faith is the sovereign work of an almighty God; our part is to remain in the light and grow where we are planted.

Ask the Lord to reveal to you where He sees you in your faith journey today. Is it a mustard seed? Is there sin that binds you in unbelief? Is it a growing faith based on relationship with Christ and dependence upon Him? Wherever you find yourself on this road, ask the Lord, "Increase [my] faith!" He is able.