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"Holding forth the Word of Life" (Phil. 2:16)

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## **Blindness**

"The eyes are useless when the mind is blind." – unknown

"It is sad that, in our blindness we gather thorns for flowers." – unknown

"It is a terrible thing to see and have no vision." – Helen Keller

"There is no better way to thank God for your sight than by giving your helping hand to someone in the dark." – Helen Keller

"Willful blindness sees no end of damage done." – Stephen Richards

To be physically blind is a terrible plight. We so often treasure what we see. Seeing the beauty of God's creation is hard to put into words.

But to be spiritually blind, is a fate far worse than no eyesight. Many a soul has been ushered into eternity unprepared to meet God. They have seen the evidence of God's handiwork, and have had the opportunity to listen to His words of instruction, but they chose to ignore them to their own spiritual doom.

The adversary has seen to it that they are blind to the spiritual truths that can save their souls. "But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe them, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them" (2 Cor. 4:3-4).

What is even more sad is that there are souls who think they follow the Lord, who have been duped into believing what the Scriptures do not teach. Jesus Himself said, "And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men" (Matt. 15:9).

Again, it was Jesus who said in the famed Sermon on the Mount: "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it" (Matt. 7:13-14). "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness'" (Matt. 7:21-23).

Many a soul will face the Judgment seat of Christ having been blind to the truth. So sad.