

Eyes All Around

A Coming Greater Discernment

Eze 10:12, “And their whole body, with their back, their hands, their wings, and the wheels that the four had, were full of eyes all around”

Rev 4:8 NIV, “Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings.”

- Ezekiel’s 4 living creatures have the likeness of a man! (**Eze 1:5**)
- Some would say that the four living creatures of **Eze** and **Rev** were angels or Cherubim’s
- But the creatures had the likeness of a man!
- Certainly these were spiritual beings
- And not ordinary beings
- Some have suggested that the four faces of the four living creatures (lion, ox, man, eagle) depict the four gospels (which for us certainly catalog the attributes of God found incarnate in Christ)
- I want to suggest that at a minimum these creatures are a picture of the mature man in Christ – the mature Christ manifested in and through the body of Christ
- If that is true, then the “mature man” will be “full of eyes”

Eyes all around: ((**All of these eyes will give us the ability to see with a heavenly point of view**))

- Eyes in front so we can see the future and what is right in front of us
- Eyes in back so we can be our past and what is behind us – putting our history in proper perspective
- Eyes above so we can see heavenly things
- Eyes below so we can see worldly system things
- ***PLEASE NOTE: the only direction that the eyes were not positioned to see was inward! As we continue to mature, we should be less and less prone to want or need to look inside. The natural result of maturity is Christ increasing and self decreasing (Joh 3:30). Being overly introspective will retard your maturity!

Varying Conditions of Seeing

- **Mar 8:18; Joh 12:40** “Have eyes and see not”; “blinded eyes and hardened hearts = see not with their eyes”
- **Mat 13:13-14; Mar 4:12; Luk 8:10** “Seeing see not”
- **Isa 6:9; Mat 13:14; Mar 4:12** “See and not perceive” and “do not understand”
- **Luk 24:13-52** notice the sequence regarding the ability to see and understand
 1. **24:16** “their eyes were holden that they should not know him”
 2. **24:31** “And their eyes were opened and they knew him”

3. 24:32 they said, “he opened to us the Scriptures.”
4. 24:45 “Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures.”

Also notice in **Luk 24** –

1. **24:30** Bread
 - a. Jesus is the bread of life
 - b. Jesus –
 - i. Took the bread
 - ii. Blessed the bread
 - iii. Broke the bread
 - iv. Gave the bread
 - v. The disciples ate the bread
2. **24:41-45** Meat
 - a. “Do you have any meat?” What a compelling question!!
 - b. 24:43 Jesus is given broiled fish and a piece of honeycomb and He eats it
 - i. Jesus is in this text “the body of Christ”
 - ii. This is a picture of the body of Christ eating meat
 - iii. Their was obviously meat to eat
 - iv. Given that there was meat, and that the meat was cooked and already prepared and ready for consumption, we can safely assume that the intention was for all of the constituents there to eat meat
 - c. 24:45 “He opened their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures”
3. Bread and Meat
 - a. Bread opened their eyes to be able to recognize Jesus and opened the Scriptures to them (**Luk 24:30-31**)
 - b. Meat opened their understanding (**Luk 24:41-45**)
4. **Heb 5:14** strong meat for the Teleios
 - a. We have a message for the mature (teleios) – **1 Co 2:6**
 - b. **1 Co 13:11**
 - i. When I was a child: g3516. νήπιος nēpios; from an obsolete particle νη- nē- (implying negation) and 2031; not speaking, i.e. an infant (minor);

figuratively, a simple-minded person, an immature Christian: — babe, child (+ -ish).

- ii. When a child: spoke, understood and thought as a child
- c. Could not speak to you as unto spiritual (1 Co 3:1)
 - i. Still babes – vs 1
 - ii. Fed you with milk and not with meat – vs 2
- d. Heb 5:12-14 Message “In fact, when at this time you are under moral obligation to be teachers by reason of the extent of time [you have been under instruction], again you are in need of someone to be teaching you what are the rudimentary things of the very beginning in the oracles of God, and have become and still are such as have need of milk, not of solid food. For everyone whose sole diet is milk, is inexperienced in a message which is righteous in quality, for he is a [spiritually] immature person. But solid food belongs to those who are [spiritually] mature, to those who on account of long usage have their powers of perception exercised to the point where they are able to discriminate between both that which is good in character and that which is evil.

Entering in to New Understanding

1. Eph 1:15-22

- a. 1:15
 - i. The Ephesians had –
 1. Faith in the Lord Jesus
 2. And loved all of the saints
 3. Not bad, huh??
- b. 1:16-18 but Paul knew that there was much more so he –
 - i. Prayed for God to give them the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus
 - ii. To the end that they would have their understanding opened
 - iii. So that they could know –
 1. The hope of His calling
 2. The riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints
 3. The exceeding greatness of his power all who believe (also see vss 19-22)

c. With all of your getting.....Pro 4:7

- i. Wisdom
- ii. Understanding
- iii. With all of your getting
- iv. Whatever you may get, get understanding – or, in other words, Solomon is putting the highest priority and value on the acquisition of understanding

2. An apostolic duty

- a. To pray for “the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus Christ” for those related to us
- b. To pray that the “eyes of their understanding” would be opened

Joh 9:1-7

1. A man blind from birth
2. Jesus anointed the man’s blind eyes with clay paste
3. Jesus commanded the man to go and wash in the Pool Siloam which means “sent”
4. The man came again “seeing”

Mar 8:22-25

1. A blind man
2. Jesus ministered healing
3. The man saw “men as trees walking”
4. Jesus ministered to the man again
5. The man saw everything clearly
6. The two healings represent:
 - a. 1) a physical healing
 - b. 2) a spiritual healing (which gave the man a brand new perspective)

Summation: There is –

- A need now for greater discernment
- Discernment is related to understanding
- It is our Father’s full intention to give us meat in this season
- This meat will open the eyes of our understanding
- We must go and wash in the Pool Siloam (sent) to receive this sight
 - Siloam = sent
 - The “sent Word”
 - The “sent one”
- There will be a mature corporate “man” (body) in the earth
- This mature man will be FULL OF EYES and have EYES ALL AROUND!!!