

Much of the problem in trying to teach others about the glory of Christ rests in the inability of many people to see the seriousness of spiritual things in their daily lives. You know, if this was a physical problem, then properly prescribed glasses would be the perfect solution. I can remember in Junior High before I began to wear glasses, I found that I was having trouble understanding things in school. I didn't know what good eyesight was, or that I had bad eyesight; I just knew that I could not see the board, and that it was making life hard for me. When I finally got a pair of glasses, I was amazed at the beautiful detail that I could see now which I had not known had existed before. On those big green blobs which I called trees, I could actually see the individual leaves in crisp detail. Now that I know what good sight is like, it would be senseless for me not to wear my glasses. And yet we all have poor spiritual eyesight, allowing our own desires to blur the truth of God. In a sense we all refuse to wear our spiritual glasses. Just as sometimes these glasses may hurt my nose or slip down, we find taking the truth seriously somewhat discomforting to us. In a word, our spiritual eyeglass is the Bible, the Word of God. It tells us what we must do to keep from being, as Peter says in 2 Pet 1:9, 'nearsighted and blind.' As God tells us in Jeremiah 31, he will write his word on our hearts. We must open our hearts, our eyes, our minds and study that word unselfishly, and let God write the perfect prescription for our own distinct personality which will allow us to rightly divide the word of truth in our lives. Won't you take the Lord seriously, as he does you, tonight as we stand and sing...