

8 BASIC NEEDS FOR PROPER SPIRITUAL VISION

INTRODUCTION:

"If we could somehow put on special glasses which allowed us to see only things in this universe that are eternal, we would only see God's Word and souls" (Amanda Hilburn).

DISCUSSION:

I. **Biblical Faith**

- A. Hebrews 11:1.
- B. Romans 10:17.
- C. Hebrews 11:6.
- D. 2 Corinthians 5:7.

II. **Moral Excellence**

- A. Matthew 6:33.
- B. 1 Corinthians 15:33.
 - 1. *Evil companionships corrupt good morals.*
 - 2. If evil companionships corrupt good morals, then good companionships develop and nurture good morals.

III. **Practical Knowledge**

- A. 1 John 3:1.
- B. Proverbs 1:7.

IV. **Control of Self**

- A. 1 Corinthians 9:27.
- B. Matthew 5:3–12 — Behold what restraint it requires to be meek, merciful, a maker of peace, and pure in heart.

V. **Perseverance**

- A. Hebrews 12:1–2.
- B. James 1:2–4.

VI. **Desire to be like God**

- A. Genesis 3:4–5.
- B. 1 Timothy 6:6.

VII. **Fraternal Love**

- A. *Philadelphia.*
- B. Romans 12:10.
- C. 1 Peter 1:22.

VIII. **Sacrificial Love**

- A. 1 John 3:1
- B. 1 John 4:19, ASV.

CONCLUSION: How is our spiritual vision?