

The Eyes of Jesus - The Gospels

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The Eyes of Jesus Reading Plan is a comprehensive list of every instance where Jesus sees something or someone in the Gospels. There are over 50 passages that give us a glimpse into the eyes of Jesus.

As you read each passage: Answer these questions, "What is God doing in this passage?" No detail is too small; and "Is there anything new that I have learned?"

After each time of reading: Pray and ask God to give you His eyes and cause you to see yourself as He sees you, to see people in your path as He sees them, and to see what God is doing in your midst.

I. JESUS SEES THE GOOD, SPEAKS IT OUT, & CALLS OTHERS TO HIMSELF

Sees people, speaks the good and/or calls them to Himself

1. Jesus saw His disciples and called them to Himself – Peter's account as most frequent.
 - Matthew 4:17 — Simon & Andrew
 - Matthew 9:9 — Matthew
 - Mark 1:16-17 — Simon & Andrew
 - Mark 1:19-20 — James & John
 - Mark 2:14 — Levi
 - Luke 5:2-11 — Simon
 - Luke 5:27 — Levi
 - John 1:35- 40 — Andrew
 - John 1:41-42 — Simon called Peter
 - John 1:47-50 — Nathanael
2. The woman wiping the feet of Jesus with her tears. Do you see her, He asks?
 - Luke 7:37-50 (vs. 44)
3. Jesus saw Zacchaeus.
 - Luke 19:2-10 (vs. 5)
4. Jesus watched people putting money into the offering box and saw and spoke of the poor widow who gave 2 copper coins
 - Mark 12:41-44
 - Luke 21:1-4 (vs. 1 & 2)
5. Jesus told the 72 that He saw Satan fall like lightening. Spoke / called out their authority
 - Luke 10:17-19
6. Jesus saw the little children and their value, the injustice of keeping them from Him and called them to Himself
 - Mark 10:13-14
7. A scribe who knew the greatest commandment – Jesus saw / perceived he answered wisely and was close to the Kingdom of God
 - Mark 12:34

II. JESUS SEES THOSE IN NEED

Sees someone in need usually related to healing or resurrection

1. Jesus saw Peter's mother in law sick and healed her
 - Matthew 8:14-15
2. Jesus saw/perceived their faith, He forgave and healed paralytic man
 - Matthew 9:1-6
 - Luke 5:20-26
3. Jesus saw the woman with issue of blood
 - Matthew 9:20-22 (vs. 22)
4. The ruler whose daughter was "sleeping" - Jesus saw the commotion and raised her from the dead
 - Matthew 9:18-19 and 23-26
 - Mark 5:38-41
5. Jesus saw His disciples in a boat at sea painfully making headway – walked on water to them
 - Mark 6:45-52 (vs. 48)
6. Rich young ruler – Jesus looked at him and loved him
 - Mark 10:17-22 (vs. 21)
7. When Jesus saw Mary, the sister of Lazarus weeping, Jesus wept
 - John 11:17-44 (vs. 33)
8. Jesus saw the man at the healing pool who had been paralyzed for 38 years and healed him
 - John 5:2-9
9. Jesus saw a crowd and fed them
 - John 6: 5-12 (vs. 5)
10. Jesus saw a man who had been blind from birth and heals him
 - John 9:1-12 (vs. 1)
11. Jesus saw and healed 10 lepers
 - Luke 17:12-19 (vs. 14)
12. Jesus saw his momma from the cross and instructed John to care for her
 - John 19:26-27

III. JESUS SEES WITH COMPASSION

Has a compassionate response which produces an action that benefits the one for whom He has compassion

1. Saw a crowd in need and had compassion on them - healed their sick and/or fed them and/or taught them
 - Matthew 9:35-38
 - Matthew 14:13-21
 - Mark 6:34-42
 - John 6: 5-12 (vs. 5)

Compassion is not mentioned in John but seeing the crowd and feeding them are so also mentioned in SEES ONE IN NEED category.

2. Saw a widow whose son has died and had compassion
 - Luke 7:12-17
3. The good Samaritan
 - Luke 10: 30-37 (vs. 33)
4. The Prodigal Son – He saw and ran to His son
 - Luke 15: 11-32 (vs. 20)

IV. JESUS USES HIS EYES WHEN TEACHING

Sees persons or something which leads to teaching or is described as looking at persons while teaching

1. Saw a crowd and taught them – Beatitudes
 - Matthew 5:1-7:28 (vs. 5:1-2)
2. Jesus looked at His disciples as He taught them
 - Mark 10:23-27
3. Jesus looked at them while teaching a parable
 - Luke 20:17-18
4. Jesus saw a fig tree that did not have fruit which ultimately ends with a teaching about faith
 - Matthew 21:19-21
 - Mark 11:13-14

V. JESUS LOOKS TO GOD THE FATHER & GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

Jesus turns His gaze to God the Father and God the Holy Spirit

1. Baptism of Jesus when the Holy Spirit rested on Him
 - Matthew 3:17
 - Mark 1:10
 - John 1:33
2. Jesus says, I only do what I see the Father doing
 - John 5:19
3. Jesus looked to heaven and spoke a blessing regarding the 5 loaves and the 2 fish
 - Matthew 14:19
 - Mark 6:41
 - Luke 9:16
 - John 17:1

VI. THE EYES OF JESUS ARE NOT LIKE THE EYES OF THE PHARISEE

Pharisees look to prohibit & disqualify one from relationship with Jesus, look to enforce irrelevant religious rules, and watch to discount Kingdom work

1. Prohibit or disqualify relationship with Jesus
 - Matthew 9:11-12 – sinners and tax collectors
 - Luke 7:39 – sinful woman
 - Luke 19:7- Zacchaeus
2. Looked to enforce irrelevant religious rules
 - Matthew 12:2
 - Mark 7:2-5
3. Watched to discount Kingdom work
 - Luke 6:7

VII. WHEN SATAN DIRECTS THE EYES

1. Satan showed Jesus all the Kingdoms of the world & their glory as an offering in exchange for His worship. His motive is to acquire devotion. The remedy is to worship and serve God only.
 - Matthew 4:8-11 (vs. 8)