

Open Heaven 9 September 2025 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 9 September 2025 devotional for today is YOUR EYES.

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TOPIC: YOUR EYES

MEMORISE:

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Psalm 101:3

READ: Matthew 6:22-23:

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23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!

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I believe that humans have three kinds of eyes: physical eyes, mental eyes, and spiritual eyes. Over the next few days, I will discuss these kinds of eyes.

Your physical eyes are the two eyes that you use to see physical objects and the world around you. According to today's Bible reading, they are the light of the body and are so important that Jesus restored the sight of every blind person that came to Him asking for sight during His earthly ministry.

In Bartimaeus' case, He spoke His word, and that word supplied two brand-new eyes (Mark 10:46-52). In the case of the man in John 9:1-7, He released His anointing into ordinary mud, and from that mud, He created two brand-new eyes. In Mark 8:22-26, He touched a man who was blind twice. The first time He touched him, the man said that he could see men looking like trees. This wasn't good enough for Jesus, so He touched him again. When you go through the Scriptures, you will discover that instance was the only time Jesus touched anybody for their healing twice. I am sure Jesus did this to show the importance of the physical eyes.

If anyone reading this devotional has problems with their physical eyes, I decree that God will touch such a person today, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Since your physical eyes are the light of your body, what you see with them will determine the state of your body. If you want your body to be full of light, you will not look at things that come from the kingdom of darkness. You won't watch certain movies or view certain pictures as they can quench the light in you and make you live in darkness. The devil is after your eyes because he knows that if he can darken them, he has succeeded in darkening your body, which is the temple of the Lord. Don't let him succeed; look away from things that can bring darkness. Flee from every appearance of evil (1 Thessalonians 5:22).

Samson was greatly helped by God, and God used him to achieve mighty things. However, the moment he began to fix his gaze on the wrong things, he opened himself to the enemy's attack. The enemy removed his eyes, and he was plunged into darkness because he became careless with his eyes (Judges 14-16).

Beloved, be careful of what you fix your gaze on, and don't give the enemy a chance to plunge you into darkness.

KEYPOINT

Do not expose yourself to things that can plunge you into darkness.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Ezekiel 47-48

HYMN 34: YIELD NOT TO TEMPTATION

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COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: Psalm 101:3 (KJV)

"I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me."

This verse is a powerful personal covenant of consecration. It is a proactive decision to guard the gates of the soul by controlling what the eyes behold. The psalmist declares a hatred for evil works and a determination not to let them adhere to his life. This establishes the principle that what we look at has the power to define and defile us.

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Jesus teaches that the eye is not merely a receptor but a conduit that illuminates or darkens the entire inner man. A "single" eye (Greek: *haplous*) means sound, clear, focused, and generous—fixed on God and His kingdom. An "evil" eye (Greek: *ponēros*) is one that is diseased, malicious, envious, or focused on wickedness. The condition of the eye directly determines the condition of the soul.

The Primacy and Power of Physical Sight

Daddy Adeboye begins a series on the "three eyes" by focusing on the physical, establishing its God-given importance. He highlights that Jesus never refused a request for physical sight, demonstrating God's desire for wholeness in this area. The commentary on the different methods Jesus used (a word in Bartimaeus's case, clay in John 9, a double touch in Mark 8) shows that God is not limited to one way of healing and that He is meticulous in ensuring our sight is complete and perfect. This underscores that caring for our physical eyes and seeking God's healing for them is a valid and important faith pursuit.

The Eye as the Gateway to the Soul

The central interpretation of this devotional is that the physical eyes are a primary gateway for spiritual influence. The principle from Matthew 6:22-23 is that what we allow through our eyes will fill our entire being. If we feed our eyes with light (God's word, purity, beauty, righteousness), our inner man will be illuminated, full of God's life and clarity. Conversely, if we feed our eyes with darkness (pornography, violence, covetousness, sin), that darkness will permeate our thoughts, emotions, and eventually, our actions, plunging our spiritual life into profound obscurity.

The Enemy's Strategy and Our Defense

The devotional sounds a critical alarm: the devil specifically targets the eyes because he knows they are a strategic entry point. His goal is to “darken” them, thereby darkening the temple of the Holy Spirit (our body). The example of Samson is a sobering case study. His downfall began not when Delilah cut his hair, but when he first “saw” a Philistine woman (Judges 14:1) and later “saw” Delilah (Judges 16:4). He was careless with his gaze, and it led to his eyes being gouged out—a physical manifestation of the spiritual darkness he had already entered. His story is a warning that unguarded vision leads to captivity and loss of purpose.

The Call to Radical Consecration

The application is a call to intentional and radical custody of the eyes. It moves beyond a suggestion to a command: “Flee from every appearance of evil” (1 Thessalonians 5:22). This means:

- **Proactive Avoidance:** Making a covenant like Psalm 101:3 to “set no wicked thing” before our eyes. This involves curating what we watch, what we read, and what we look at online or in media.
- **Immediate Rejection:** When evil appears unexpectedly, we must train ourselves to “look away” instantly, refusing to let the image take root.
- **Positive Engagement:** Actively filling our vision with things that are true, noble, right, pure, lovely, and admirable (Philippians 4:8).

Pray this:

“Lord Jesus, You are the light of the world. I ask that You would touch my physical eyes right now, healing any defect and granting me perfect sight. But more importantly, Lord, be the guardian of my gaze. Give me the strength and discipline to turn my eyes from looking at worthless things (Psalm 119:37). I make a covenant today, like the psalmist, to set no wicked thing before my eyes. Holy Spirit, alert me when my gaze wanders into darkness. Let my eyes be single, focused on You, so that my whole body may be filled with Your light. In Jesus’ mighty name, I pray. Amen.”

Action Steps:

1. **Conduct an Audit:** Review your media consumption—TV shows, movies, social media feeds, websites. Do they contain “appearances of evil” you need to flee from?
2. **Install Guards:** Use accountability software on your devices. Commit to the “bounce rule”—immediately closing any webpage or turning off any show that causes you to stumble.
3. **Fill with Light:** Intentionally schedule time to watch anointed sermons, listen to worship music, or behold God’s creation in nature to feed your spirit light.
4. **Practice Looking Away:** Train your reflex. When an inappropriate image or scene appears, consciously and immediately avert your eyes and utter a short prayer (e.g., “Jesus, help me”).

Remember: Your vision is a gift and a gateway. You cannot always control what flashes before your eyes, but you can always control what you focus on and feed your soul. Every glance is a choice between light and darkness. Choose light, so that the lamp of your body will not be darkness, but will radiate the brilliant light of Christ for all to see.

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