

OPEN HEAVEN 12 SEPTEMBER 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: SPIRITUAL EYES II

MEMORISE:

Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law. Psalm 119:18

READ: 2 Kings 6:15-23:

15 And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we do?

16 And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them.
17 And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

18 And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the Lord, and said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.

19 And Elisha said unto them, This is not the way, neither is this the city: follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom ye seek. But he led them to Samaria.

20 And it came to pass, when they were come into Samaria, that Elisha said, Lord, open the eyes of these men, that they may see. And the Lordopened their eyes, and they saw; and, behold, they were in the midst of Samaria.

21 And the king of Israel said unto Elisha, when he saw them, My father, shall I smite them? shall I smite them?

22 And he answered, Thou shalt not smite them: wouldest thou smite those whom thou hast taken captive with thy sword and with thy bow? set bread and water before them, that they may eat and drink, and go to their master.

23 And he prepared great provision for them: and when they had eaten and drunk, he sent them away, and they went to their master. So the bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 12 SEPTEMBER 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

Today, I will conclude my discussion on spiritual eyes as part of the series I started three days ago.

In today's Bible reading, an army came to arrest Elisha, and his servant became afraid.

Elisha, however, was not bothered; he told his servant that those who were with them were more than those who were against them. He then prayed that God should open his servant's eyes. Even though the boy wasn't physically blind and could see the Syrian army, his spiritual eyes needed to be opened so he could see God's mighty army surrounding them.

..And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha. 2 Kings 6:17

After God opened the spiritual eyes of Elisha's servant, his fear of the Syrian army must have disappeared immediately. Elisha then asked God to smite the Syrian soldiers with blindness, and he led them to the king's palace. He wasn't holding any weapon, neither did he bind the soldiers; he just told them to follow him, and because they had become blind, they followed him into their enemy's territory. They would have lost their lives that day if Elisha had not stopped the king from killing them. He was able to arrest the soldiers who came to arrest him because he could see beyond the physical.

In 1 Samuel 17, Israel was being tormented by Goliath. The torment went on for 40 days and nights because there was no one on the battlefield whose spiritual eyes were opened.

They all saw a formidable giant, but David came to the battlefield and saw Goliath as a dead man. David said to him, "I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. Today, I will cut off your head and feed the Philistine army to the birds so that the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel" (1 Samuel 17:45-46).

Beloved, what you see with your spiritual eyes will go a long way in determining if you will live as a victim or a victorious believer. If you have surrendered your life to Jesus Christ, spend quality time in constant fellowship with Him. As you do this, I pray that the Lord will open your spiritual eyes. If,

however, the Lord has already opened your spiritual eyes, I pray for greater revelations for you, in Jesus' name.

REFLECTION

Are your spiritual eyes open?

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Daniel 6-8

HYMN 8: I Need Thee Every Hour

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 12 SEPTEMBER 2025 COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: Psalm 119:18 (KJV)

"Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law."

This prayer of the psalmist is the heart cry for spiritual illumination. It acknowledges that the Bible contains depths of revelation that remain hidden to the natural mind. It is a request for the Holy Spirit, the author of Scripture, to act as our divine teacher, unveiling the "wondrous things"—the profound truths, promises, and strategies—that are embedded within God's Word.

BIBLE READING: 2 Kings 6:15-23 (KJV)

This narrative perfectly illustrates the tension between natural sight and spiritual vision. The servant saw only the threatening Syrian army, a reality that produced overwhelming fear. Elisha saw the superior heavenly host, a reality that produced unshakable peace and authority. The pivotal moment is the prayer for opened eyes. When the servant's spiritual sight was activated, his fear vanished because his perspective was permanently altered by a greater truth.

The Transformative Power of Spiritual Perspective

Daddy Adeboye uses this concluding devotional to demonstrate the practical, life-altering consequences of spiritual sight. The key interpretation is that **your perspective determines your experience.** The servant and Elisha were in the exact same physical circumstance, yet one was terrified and the other was triumphant. The difference was not their location, but their revelation. What you see in the spirit dictates whether you live as a victim of your circumstances or as a victor over them.

From Defense to Offense: The Authority of Sight

The story doesn't end with the servant's fear being relieved. Elisha's opened eyes gave him not just comfort, but command. He moved from a defensive posture (being surrounded) to an offensive one (leading his captors captive). His prayer for the enemy to be struck with blindness was an act of spiritual authority that flowed from his spiritual perception. He understood that the battle was won in the spiritual realm before any physical action was taken. This teaches that opened spiritual eyes grant believers the authority to disarm and confuse the strategies of the enemy, turning their attacks into opportunities for God's glory.

David vs. Goliath: A Case Study in Conflicting Realities

The account of David and Goliath is presented as another powerful example of two clashing perspectives. For 40 days, the Israelite army saw a "formidable giant." Their spiritual eyes were closed, so they saw only his size, his strength, and his weapons. They interpreted the situation through the lens of their own ability and were defeated before the fight began.

David, however, saw a "dead man." His spiritual eyes were open, so he saw Goliath's defiance of God, his impending defeat, and the glory God would receive. He interpreted the situation through the lens of God's ability and ran toward the battle. The giant was the same; the difference was what each party sawwith their spiritual perception.

The Pathway to Sustained Spiritual Sight

The devotional concludes with the essential prerequisites for maintaining opened spiritual eyes:

- 1. **Surrender to Christ:** This is the foundational step. A spirit that is not alive in Christ cannot perceive the things of the Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:14).
- 2. **Quality Fellowship with God:** Spiritual sight is not a one-time gift but a continually sharpened sense. It is cultivated through consistent, unhurried time in prayer, worship, and meditation on God's Word. The more we gaze upon Him, the clearer our spiritual vision becomes (2 Corinthians 3:18).

A Prayer for Revelation

The closing prayer is twofold: for those who have not yet seen, that their eyes would be opened, and for those who have, that they would receive "greater revelations." This indicates that spiritual sight has degrees. We can always see more, understand more, and perceive more of the infinite depths of God.

Pray this:

"Lord God, I echo the prayer of the psalmist: Open my eyes! I am tired of seeing only with natural vision. I want to behold the wondrous things in Your Word and the supernatural realities around me. baptize my vision with Your light. When I face overwhelming circumstances, help me to see Your chariots of fire. When I confront giants, help me to see their defeat. Holy Spirit, be my teacher and my guide. Sharpen my spiritual senses through constant fellowship with You until my default perspective is Your heavenly perspective. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Action Steps:

- 1. **Pray for Sight Daily:** Make Psalm 119:18 your daily prayer before reading the Bible. Ask the Holy Spirit to highlight specific truths and show you their application.
- 2. **Analyze Your Perspective:** When you feel fear, anxiety, or defeat, ask yourself: "What am I seeing right now? What is the natural reality?" Then pray, "Lord, show me Your spiritual reality in this situation."
- 3. **Declare What You See:** Like David, begin to verbalize the spiritual reality you discern. Declare God's victory over your challenges, not based on your feelings, but based on the unseen truth He shows you.
- 4. **Cultivate Fellowship:** Block out daily and weekly time for deep, uninterrupted fellowship with God. This is not about a rushed devotion, but about lingering in His presence to see His face.

Remember: The battlefield of life is first won or lost in the realm of sight. Your natural eyes will always show you the enemy's army and the giants. Your spiritual eyes, when opened by the Holy Spirit, will always show you the victory already secured by the Lord of Hosts. Choose which reality you will believe. Choose to see the invisible, and you will do the impossible.

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