

What Do You See? (John 1:29-41)

Introduction: “The Cotton Patch Gospel”: *Look at the lilies in that field!*

I. **LOOKING AND SEEING IS WHAT THIS BIBLE TEXT IS ALL ABOUT**

- A. Note verses 29, 32, 34, 35, 38, 39 (we’ll read them aloud)
- B. Note the verbs: ***Look, I saw, I have seen, look, you will see, they went and saw....***
- C. What’s the story behind this “look & see” text?
- D. Why won’t people outside the Church “see” today?
- E. What gets in the way of people inside the Church “seeing” today?
- *the Kenyan Missionary with the disconnected battery cable*
- F. Have we become disconnected from our Lord?

II. **BOTH JOHN THE BAPTIST & JESUS INVITE US TO STOP, LOOK, AND SEE!**

- A. *“Look... the Lamb of God Who takes away the sin of the world!”* (v. 29)
- B. *“Come... and you will see!”* (v. 39)

III. **BEST OF ALL, JESUS SEES US & COMES TO US TODAY**

- A. Nothing keeps Him from us (Genesis 3:8; Luke 15:20; 19:5; Romans 5:6-7)
- B. Our joyful task is to love others and help them to see Him and His love (vv. 40-42)

Conclusion: *Teddy and Miss Thompson*