



Looking at Others Through God's Eyes

SERMON OUTLINE - SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2017

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I Samuel 16:1-7

INTRODUCTION: *How's your eyesight? How do you see others/yourself? Need "an eye exam"?*

I. WE NEED AN EYE EXAM SO WE CAN LOOK AT OTHERS & OURSELVES THROUGH GOD'S EYES

- A. In the account of David's selection as King, we discover an important difference between how we see & how God sees
- B. I Samuel 16:7 – ***"The LORD sees not as man sees; man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks in the heart."***
- C. At first "glance", it seemed that one of Jesse's tall & handsome sons should be chosen as King, NOT young & plain David (I Samuel 16:1-7)
- D. How many times are people overlooked or devalued just because of outward appearance?

II. WHAT DID GOD SEE WHEN HE LOOKED INTO DAVID'S HEART?

- A. David was called ***"a man after God's own heart"***
- B. He had confidence in himself because he had confidence in God
(Note: his battle with the giant *Goliath*)
- C. But David's heart was not always right with God
(Note: his adultery with Bathsheba)
- D. How easy for us to condemn others due to their sin... when we only look at their outward appearance
 - + My constant prayer: *"Dear Lord, help me see others through the eyes of Jesus."*

III. HOW DOES OUR LORD SEE US?

- A. From the cross, Jesus saw us clearly – as sinners in need of a Saviour
- B. From that cross He saw the thief clearly and gave him an eternal promise (Luke 23:43)
- C. Jesus looks at you & me through the eyes of a loving God

CONCLUSION:

Our prayer: *That we would look at others & ourselves through God's eyes*