

SERMON OUTLINE – JUNE 17, 2018

Spiritual Sight (2 Kings 6:15-17)

INTRODUCTION: A recent trip to my eye doctor ...

I. THE NATURAL EYE IS BLIND TO HEAVENLY THINGS:

A. Note: the blindness of Elisha's servant (2 Kings 6:15-17)

- B. Note: spiritual blindness today
- C. This is our natural, sinful condition (Isaiah 43:8)
- D. The devil also brings "blindness" (Genesis 3:5)
- E. Today, as in Jesus' day, the blind lead the blind (Matthew 15:4)

II. GOD ALONE CAN OPEN MAN'S EYES

A. God enabled Elisha's servant to see! (2 Kings 6:16-17)

B. We confess with St. Paul: faith gives us sight (2 Corinthians 5:7)

C. The LORD opens blind eyes (Psalm 146:8)

D. At the cross of Jesus, darkness is defeated & our eyes opened

III. USE US, LORD, TO OPEN THE EYES OF THE BLIND

A. We confess our need to truly see (Psalm 119:18)

B. With humbleness & joy we lead others to see (2 Kings 6:17)

CONCLUSION: Wonderful sights in Steveston **and** today's sermon hymn – "Open the Eyes of Our Hearts, Lord"