Fellowship Baptist Church, September 14, 2014, A.M. Message: "Seeing God" - Matthew 13:10-17 Text v16

INTRODUCTION: Allow God to open you spiritual eye sight so you can get a glimpse of God. He is all around you. His angel encamps around you for your protection (Ps 34:7). Be aware of God's presence. Seek Him and you will find Him.

- I. None are as blind as those who will not see.—Matt. 13:-10-17
  - A. The use of parables.—v. 10-13
  - B. The prophecy of Isaiah.—v. 14-15; Isa.6:9-10
  - C. People close their eyes to the truth.—v. 15.
    - 1. Heart waxed gross—calloused
    - 2. Dull of hearing—no longer listening.
  - D. Blessed are those who hear.—v. 16
    - 1. We have an advantage other generations did not have.
    - 2. Even the angels wanted to look into.—I Peter 1:11-12
- II. It is God that made the physical eye and grants the ability to see spiritually.
  - A. God gives spiritual eye sight.—Prov. 20:12; II Cor: 3:18; 4:6; I Cor. 2:9-10
  - B. The blind man who saw trees walking.—Mark 8:22-25
  - C. The man born blind in John 9.
- III. Open your eyes and see what God has done and is doing.
  - A. It takes faith to see the blessings of God.—John 1:50-51
  - B. God can be seen in the physical universe.—Rom. 1:20; Ps. 19:1-4
  - C. Sin keeps one from seeing God and His work.—Heb. 12:13-15; Jer. 5:21-25
  - D. God is seen through the written and living word.—John 1:14-18

CONCLUSION: Look around you and see the wonderful works of God. See Him in nature. See Him in the lives of others. See Him in the word of God.