

FUSION Devo: Wednesday, January 7th, 2009

Title: Eyes Wide Shut

Text: 2 Corinthians 4:18 (NIV)

So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Have you ever heard of a person who is saying that it just is know it the perfect setting for people who really know me

Why do we put so much importance on the act of seeing something? I think that is one of the problems most people have with fully experiencing a true relationship with Christ. We seem to be a group that puts more or tangible. that is not visible to us.

I can remember when I was a child have to occupy myself and from time to time I would sit back, close my eyes and imagine that I was somewhere else. I may have been standing shoulder to shoulder with Han Solo and Luke Skywalker as we fought Darth Vader and the evil empire. Maybe I was the star linebacker for the Duke Blue Devils football team (Yes! I said Duke!), and making the game-winning tackle at the goal line to give us victory over Carolina. OH! That was always one of my favorites.

Both of those were just dreams and fantasies. And where most people would say we are silly for doing things like that, we see in the Bible that we are called to put our faith in the unseen and not necessarily put so much faith in the things we can actually see. Why? Well, the simple answer is that the things of this world are only temporary. Think about it. The car we want, temporary. The clothes we wear, temporary. We could go on relationship and intimate walk we are promised and experience when we fully trust the Creator. The one -packs, place in the trophy case or hang on the wall, is the one thing that will never leave us as we move, step by step, through this life, and into the life everlasting.

I know it is so easy to work ourselves to point of exhaustion to make a good impression on certain people, get the when our priorities are centered around the things of this world instead of the supernatural relationship with God, we will never truly be fulfilled and always be in search of something to fill the internal void that can only be supplied by Jesus Christ.

So, why not sit back, close your eyes and imagine you are in the presence of God Almighty! The Creator of the heavens and the earth. The One who knows how many grains of sand make up the beaches and number of hairs on your head. Then realize that it is not a dream or a silly fantasy, but a reality that is so true that as long as we walk on this planet, it can only be experienced and seen in our minds eye with our eyes wide shut.

Something to Think About:

- Do I tend to put more of my faith and energy in the things I can see?
- How has that way of looking at life formed the way I live my life?
- How can you begin to change the way you view the world and your relationship with it if you were to begin to put more faith in the unseen?

A Few Minutes With God:

God, as I walk through a world that seems to be driven by images, appearance and the sense of sight, help me live a life that is seeking to experience the unseen wonders that you provide. Help me to strive to put more faith in the things that come from a supernatural experience with you as my personal Lord and Savior and separate myself from the worldly things that hold me from experiencing you. Amen.