

7 WEKE

WAT GELOOF LAAT

GROEI



Week 2: Om te kyk met sagte oë

TEKSTE: 2 Kor 5:14-19 en Mark 8:22-26

Watter emosies, gedagtes, denke kom by jou op wanneer jy die tema hoor: “Om met sagte oë te kyk”?

- Dit kan maklik as 'n moralistiese opdrag gehoor word wat mense meer belaaï met skuldgevoelens en moedeloosheid as wat dit mense help om te groei in hulle geloof en verhouding met die Here.
- Dit veroorsaak kritiese vrae: *“Beteken om met sagte oë te kyk dat ek moet blind wees vir mense se foute, swakhede en selfs sonde?”*
- En dan die vraag wat uit meer as een hoek die week gekom het: *“Wat is die verband tussen om met sagte oë te kyk en ons breë tema om te groei in ons geloof?”*

Paulus kan ons uit 2 Kor 5 help met hierdie emosies, denke en vrae wat die tema na vore bring.

- Om met sagte oë te kyk, is nie 'n moralistiese opdrag om te groei in geloof nie. Sagte oë is die gevolg/effek/vrug van 'n groeiende verhouding met God. 2 Kor 5:14 **“Die liefde van Christus dring ons.....”**
- *Sagte oë is die gevolg/vrug/effek van iets anders wat Christus reeds gedoen het: Vers 15 sê **Hy het vir ons gesterwe**, sodat ons nie meer vir onself sal leef nie, maar vir Hom (met sagte oë) en vers 18 **Hy het Hom met ons versoen**, nou kan ons versoening na ander leef (met sagte oë).*

Dus: “Om te kyk met sagte oë” is die gevolg van God se werk in ons lewens....

Vir ons om hierdie geskenk van God te ontvang benodig ons Godskennis en selfkennis.

Augustinus het reeds in 400nC geskryf: “Hoe kan mens nader aan God groei wanneer jy ver van jouself af is?” En dan bid hy: “Grant Lord, that I may know myself, that I may know Thee”.

Ons Kerkvader Calvyn skryf in 1530: “Our wisdom....consists almost entirely of two parts: the knowledge of God and of ourselves. But as these are connected together by many ties, it is not easy to determine which of the two precedes and gives birth to the other.”

Theresa van Avilla skryf: “Almost all problems in the spiritual life stem from a lack of self knowledge.”

Daarom die belangrikste twee vrae op mens se geloofsreis:

1. Ken jy God? (Nie wat is jou kennis van God nie, maar ken jy God?)
2. Ken jy jouself? Wie is jy? (Ken jy jouself soos God jou ken?)

Jou antwoord op hierdie twee vrae gaan bepaal hoe jy kyk na God, na jouself en na ander mense.

**“How you see is what you see.
To see rightly is to be fully
present without fear, bias and
judgement.”**

THE BELL

I KNOW WHO I AM

I am God's child (John 1:12)

I am Christ's friend (John 15:15)

I am united with the Lord (I Cor. 6:17)

I am bought with a price (I Cor. 6:19-20)

I am a saint (set apart for God). (Eph. 1:1)

I am a personal witness of Christ. (Acts 1:8)

I am the salt & light of the earth (Matt. 5:13-14)

I am a member of the body of Christ (I Cor. 12:27)

I am free forever from condemnation (Rom. 8:1-2)

I am a citizen of Heaven. I am significant (Phil. 3:20)

I am free from any charge against me (Rom. 8:31-34)

I am a minister of reconciliation for God (II Cor. 5:17-21)

I have access to God through the Holy Spirit (Eph. 2:18)

I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (Eph. 2:6)

I cannot be separated from the love of God (Rom. 8:35-39)

I am established, anointed, sealed by God (II Cor. 1:21-22)

I am assured all things work together for good (Rom. 8:28)

I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit (John 15:16)

I may approach God with freedom and confidence (Eph. 3:12)

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil. 4:13)

I am the branch of the true vine, a channel of His life (John 15:1-5)

I am God's temple (I Cor. 3:16). I am complete in Christ (Co. 2:10)

I am hidden with Christ in God (Co. 3:3). I have been justified (Romans 5:1)

I am God's co-worker (I Cor. 3:9; II Cor. 6:1). I am God's workmanship (Eph. 2:10)

I am confident that the good works God has begun in me will be perfected. (Phil. 1:5)

I have been redeemed and forgiven (Co. 1:14). I have been adopted as God's child (Eph. 1:5)

I belong to God

Do you know

who you are!?