



CONNECT GROUPS:

Unconscious Part 1- Blindspot:

Matt 24:37,39

... (so) ... it will be at the coming of the Son of Man... They did not UNDERSTAND what was going on until the flood came and swept them all away.

Connect group:

- Choose ONE NIGHT a week to hold your connect group.
- Ask each member of your connect group to bring their Bible.
- If you want, you can also take communion together.

WELCOME

Ice breaker:

Choose one of the following topics and talk about it:

- a) Who has ever changed lanes and not seen a vehicle in the blind spot? What happened?
- b) Why do "Blind Spots" arise in our lives?

Prayer: Open with prayer.

WORD

Read:

Our Core Text for Today:

Rom 8:14,17

For as many as are led by the SPIRIT of God, these are children of God: and if children, then heirs...with Christ.

Talk in your Connect Group about the following:

The Impact of Spiritual Blind Spots:

Just like in traffic, spiritual blind spots are those areas in our lives that we cannot see for ourselves.

- **Blind Spots Create a False Sense of Security (The Danger):** We read in Matt 24:37,39 that people were completely unaware of the danger; they did not realize what was really going on.
- **Blind Spots Are Driven by the Enemy (The Origin):** Our blind spots are not always just ignorance. 2 Cor 4:4 explains that the god of this world blinds people's minds. He wants to prevent us from seeing the light and the truth (the gospel).
- **Blind Spots Cause Fear and Misfocus (The Consequence):** If we only look at the visible things, we easily become panicked or caught up in the temporary (2 Cor 4:18).

How to Overcome Blind Spots in Our Decisions:

If we are blind to reality, how do we make good decisions? Scripture gives us clear tools to remove these blind spots:

- **Pray for Spiritual Sight:** Like Elisha in 2 Kings 6:17, we must pray: "Lord, open our eyes that we may see!" We must realize that we need God to break open what is hidden for us.
- **Sharpen Your Spiritual Hearing:** It does not help that our eyes are open but our ears are closed. Jesus warns: "He who has ears, let him hear!" (Matt. 13:9). Obedience begins with being attentive to God's voice.
- **Let the Holy Spirit be your GPS:** Instead of walking on a path that seems right to us, we must allow the Spirit to lead us.
- **Choose an Eternal Perspective:** By fixing our eyes on the unseen and the eternal (2 Cor. 4:18), the world's deception loses its hold on our decisions.

Blind spots in our lives cause us to make decisions based on limited, worldly, and misleading information. True, life-giving decisions are made when we intentionally allow the Holy Spirit to remove our blindness, so that we can see and follow God's complete truth beyond our own understanding.

Reread today's texts and talk about them:

- Why is it important to know that we are heirs of Christ?
- What can we do to better see blind spots?

WORSHIP

Make time to worship God today. Use the playlist on our Word and Life website under Connect Groups. Or bring your own worship songs.

WORKS

Now enjoy Communion together as a Connect Group:

Love for God, Love for People

Now, as a Connection Group, spend just 5 minutes in silence, and each member should answer the questions below individually. Create a peaceful atmosphere and allow the Lord to speak to each one individually.

- Ask the Lord to help you see the blind spots in your life better.
- Ask the Lord to help you listen to Him better in this new week.

