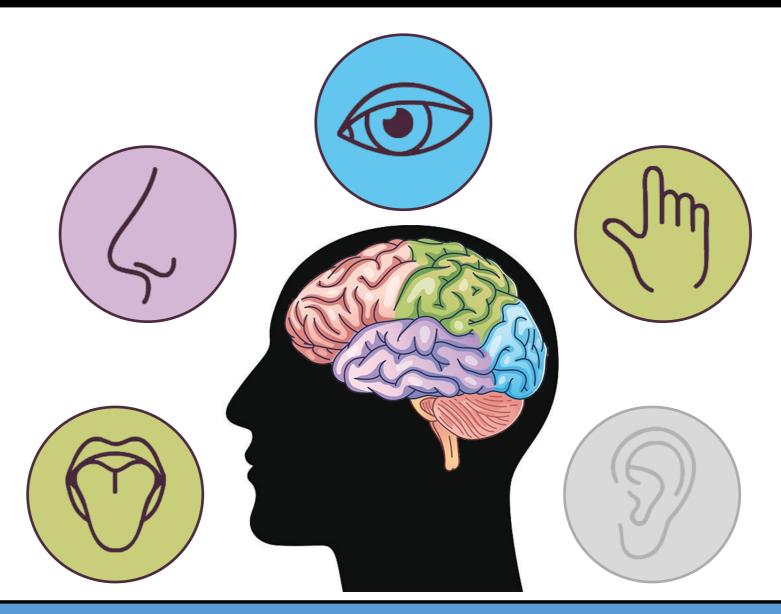
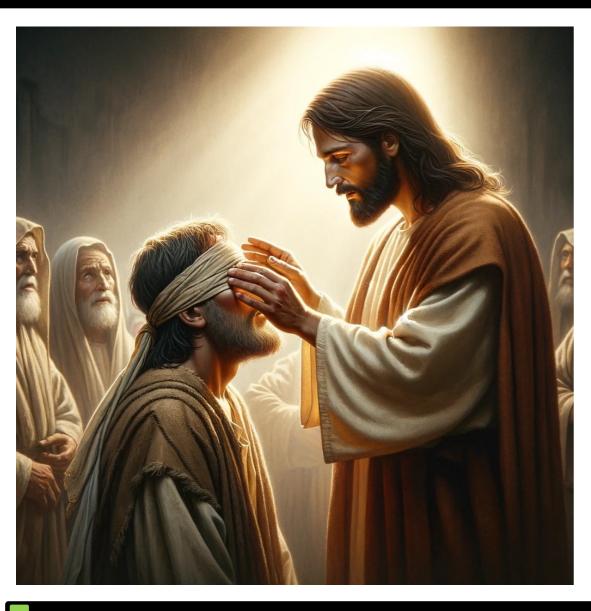
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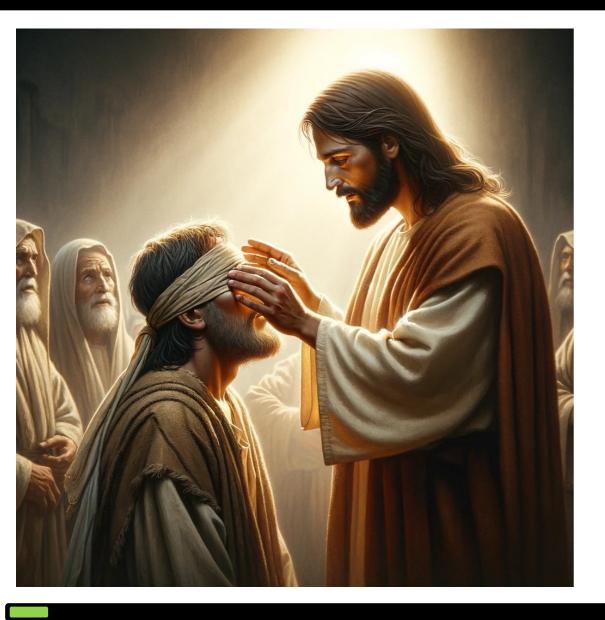
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H7200 – to see, look, understand or perceive

H4758 – to view, the act of seeing

H5027 – to scan, to look intently

H2370 – to gaze upon, to dream

H2372 – to mentally perceive, a vision

H8259 – to look out, to look down

H6437 – to turn the eyes towards something

H6822 – to look out or watch

G991 – to look at, behold

G3708 – to stare at, to discern clearly

G3700 – to gaze with open eyes

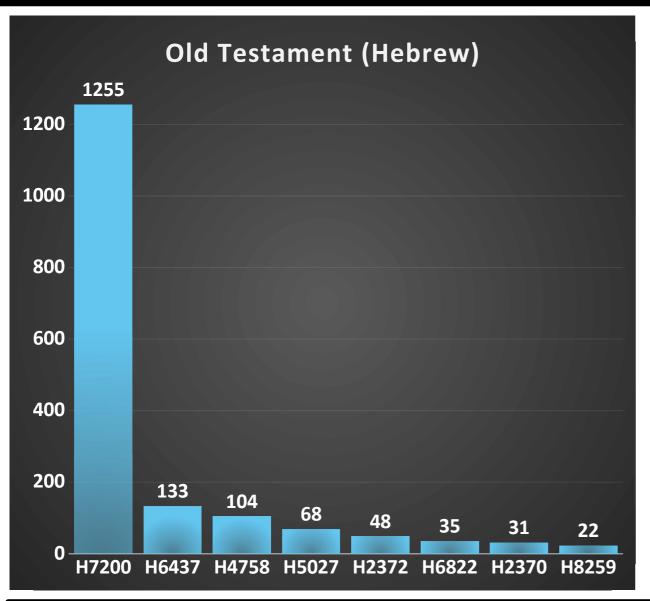
G2334 – to be a spectator

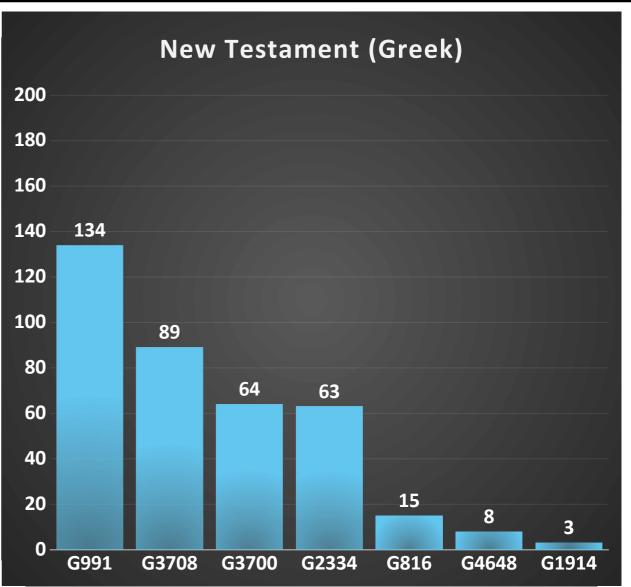
G816 – to behold earnestly

G4648 – to aim at, to spy

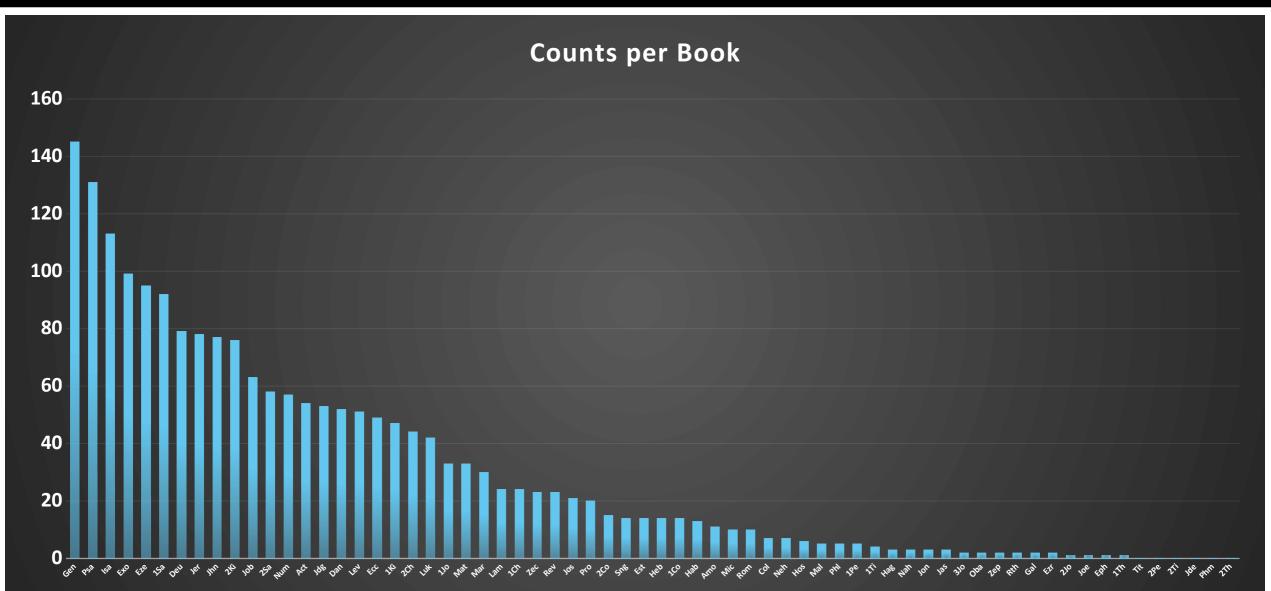
G1914 – to gaze at with favor or pity



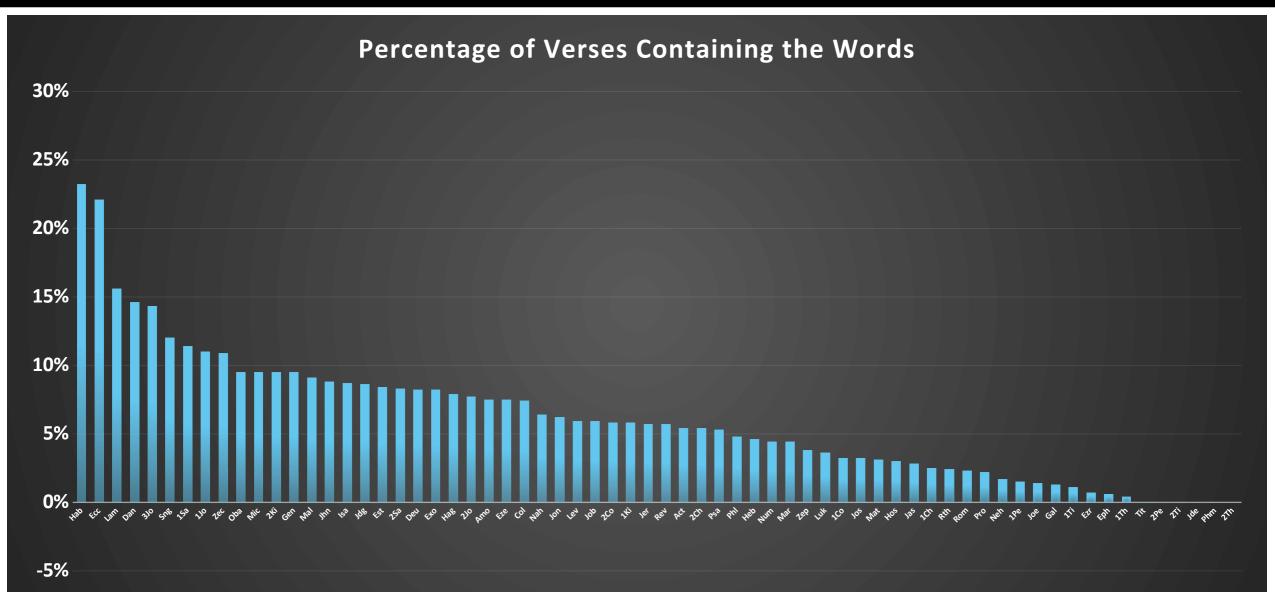




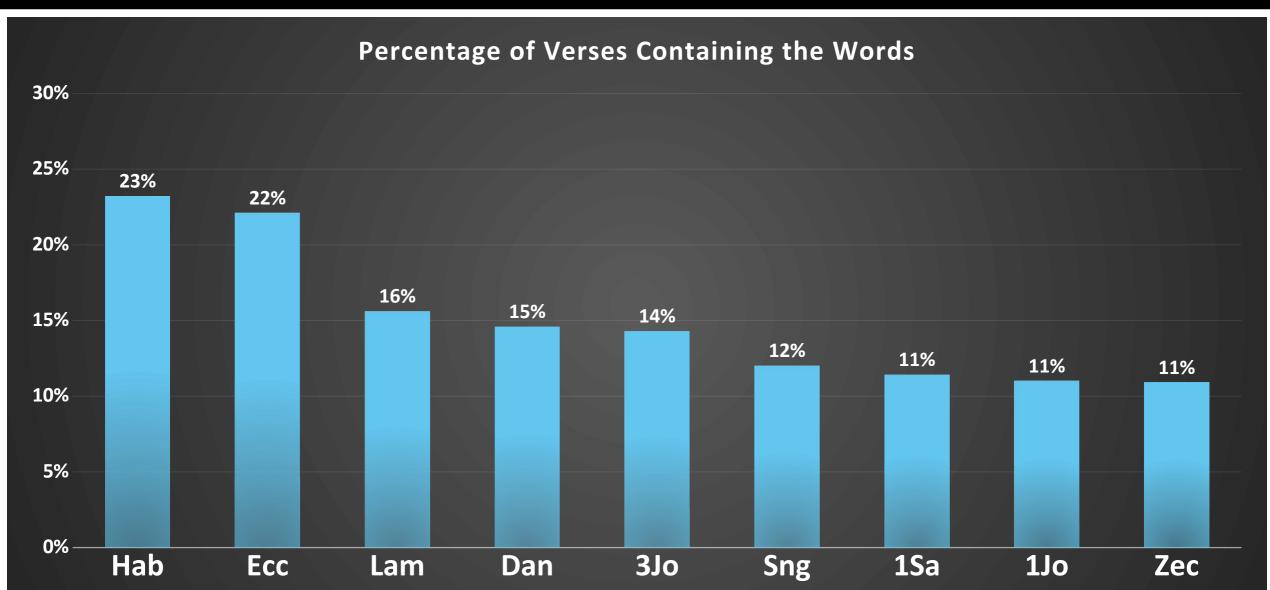




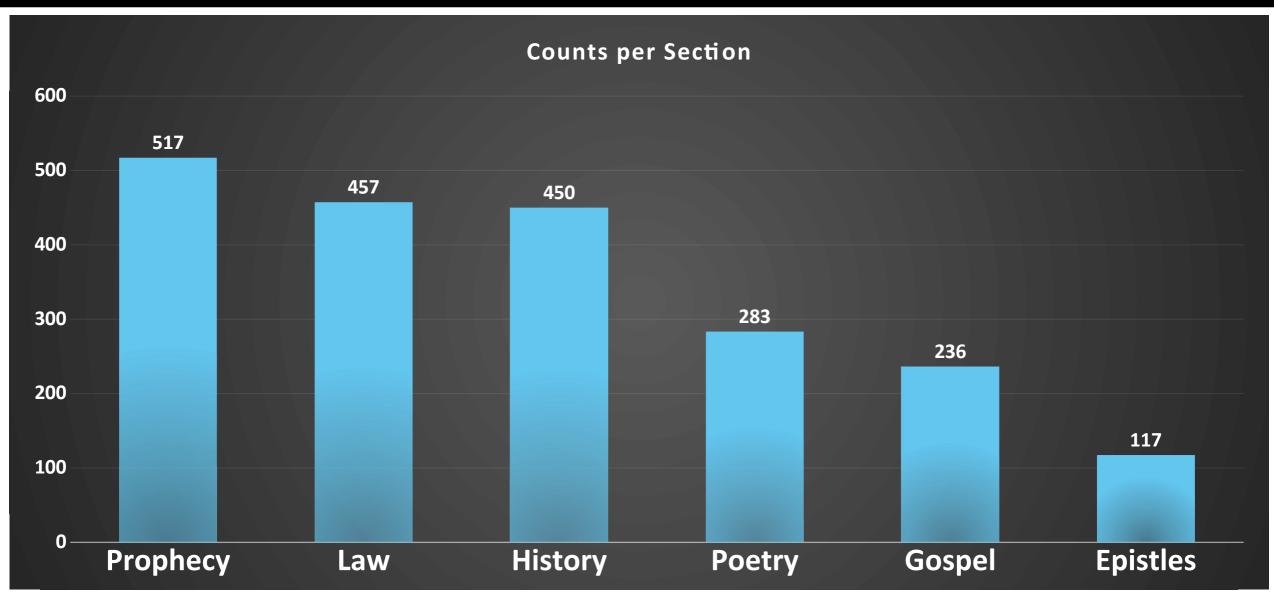




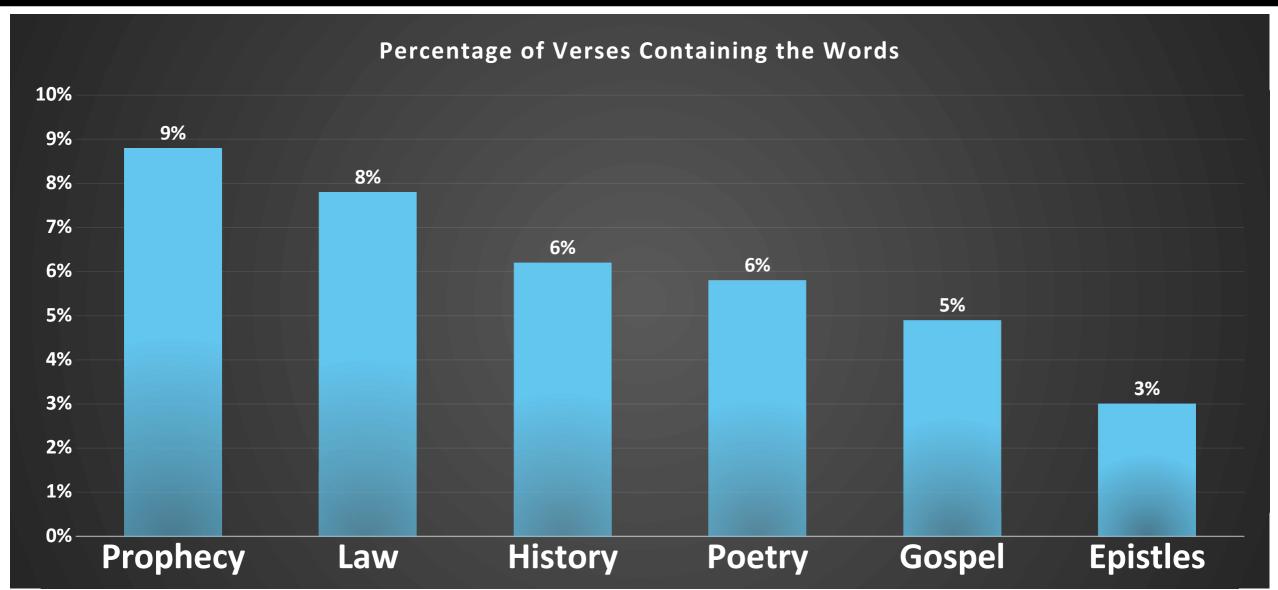








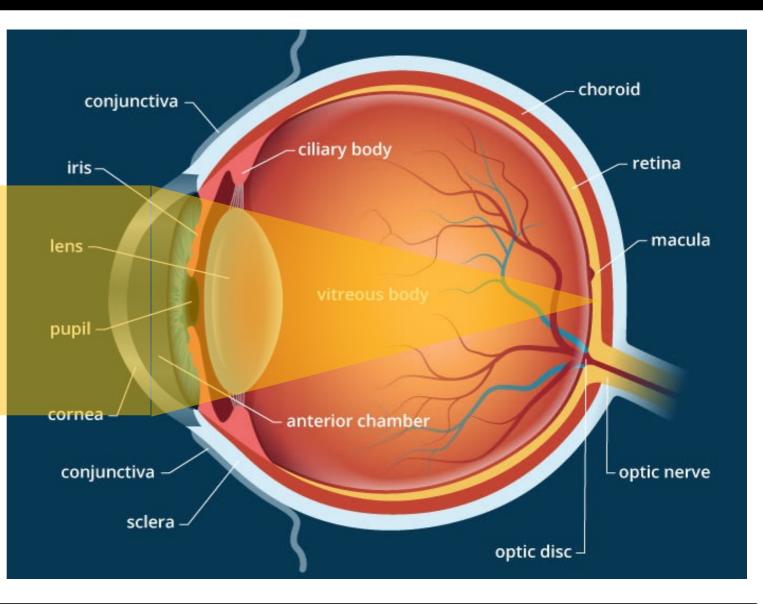






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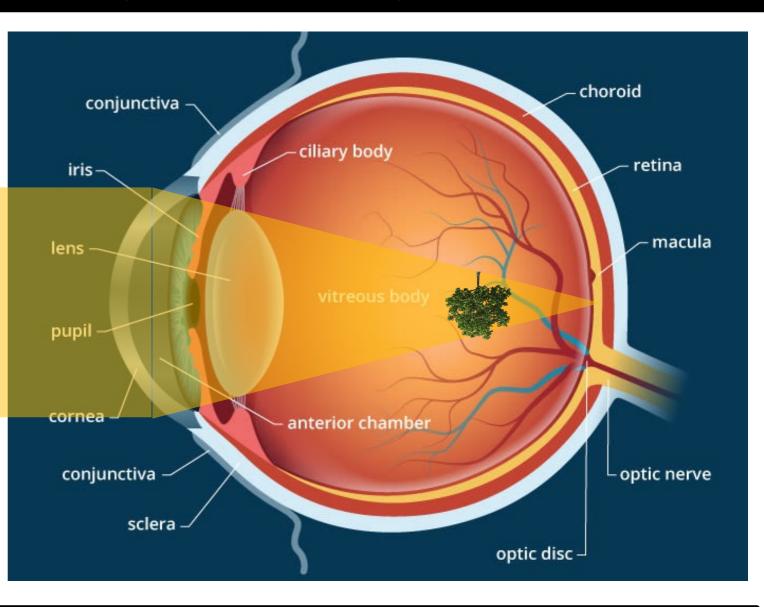






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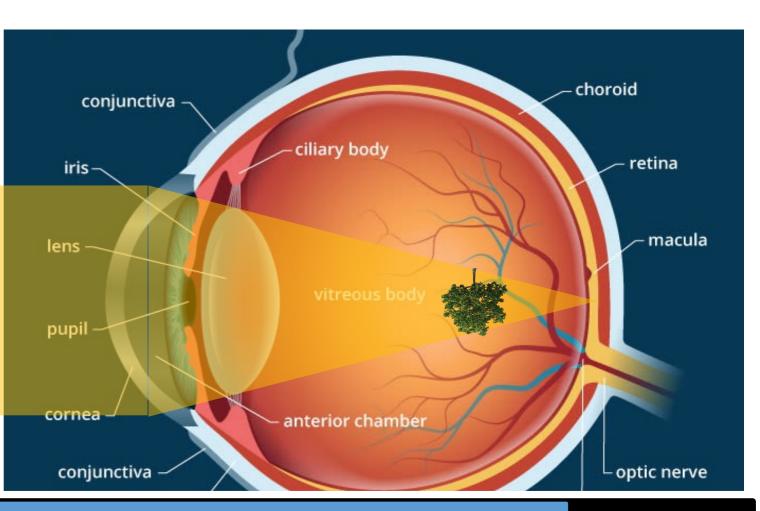




Anatomy of the Eye

Input → Transduce → Process → Respond







And God Saw the Light

GENESIS 1

In the abeginning bGod ccreated the heaven and the earth.

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

3 And God ^asaid, Let there be ^blight: and there was light.

4 And God saw the light, that it was agood: and God divided the light from the darkness.





And God Saw the Light

1 JOHN 1

5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is alight, and in him is no barkness at all.

6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and awalk in barkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

7 But if we awalk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.





In the Garden – Divine Intentions

GENESIS 2

7 And the LORD God ^aformed ^bman of the ^cdust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the ^dbreath of life; and ^eman became a living ^fsoul.

8 ¶ And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in ^aEden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the ^asight, and good for ^bfood; the ^ctree of ^dlife also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of ^eknowledge of good and evil.





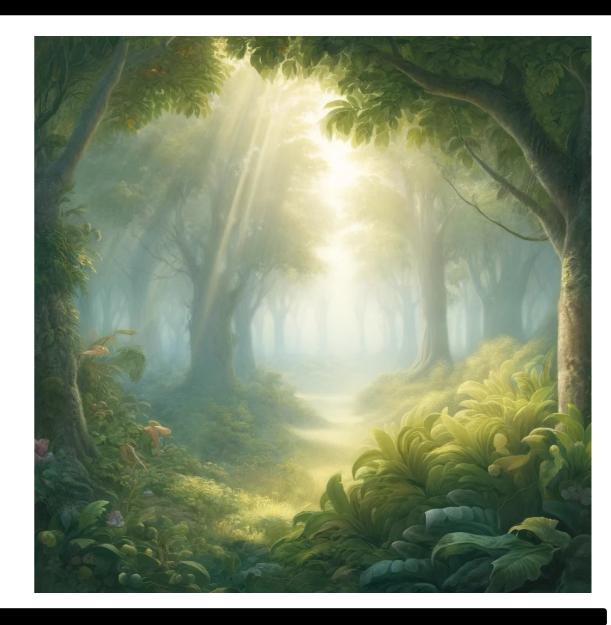
Discerning Good and Evil

GENESIS 2

15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the agarden of bEden cto dress it and to keep it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: 17 But of the atree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

GENESIS 3

4 And the serpent said unto the woman, ^aYe shall not surely die:





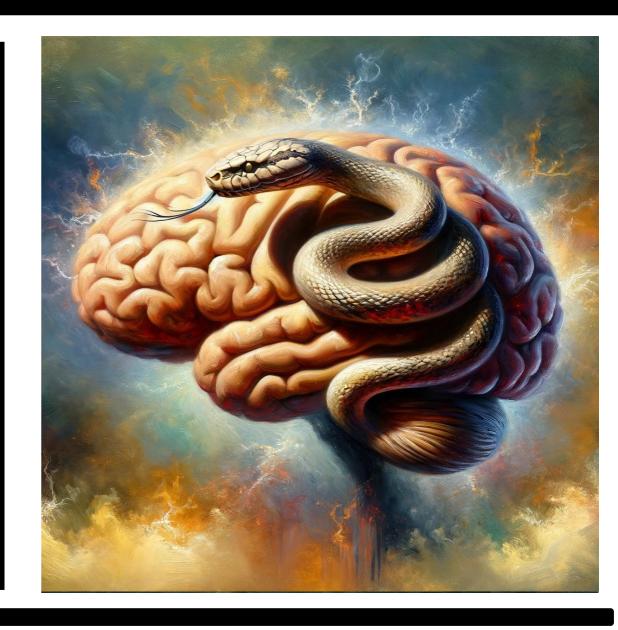
Seeing in the Garden

GENESIS 3

5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your ^aeyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, ^bknowing good and ^cevil.

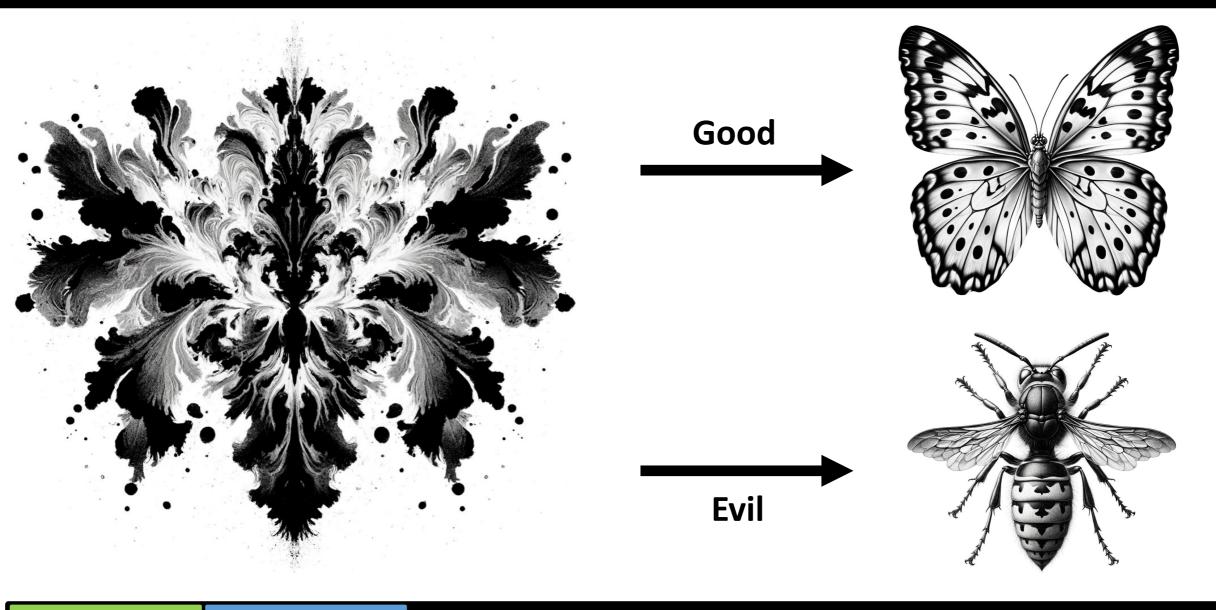
6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for afood, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did feat.

7 And the eyes of them both were aopened, and they knew that they were bnaked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves caprons.



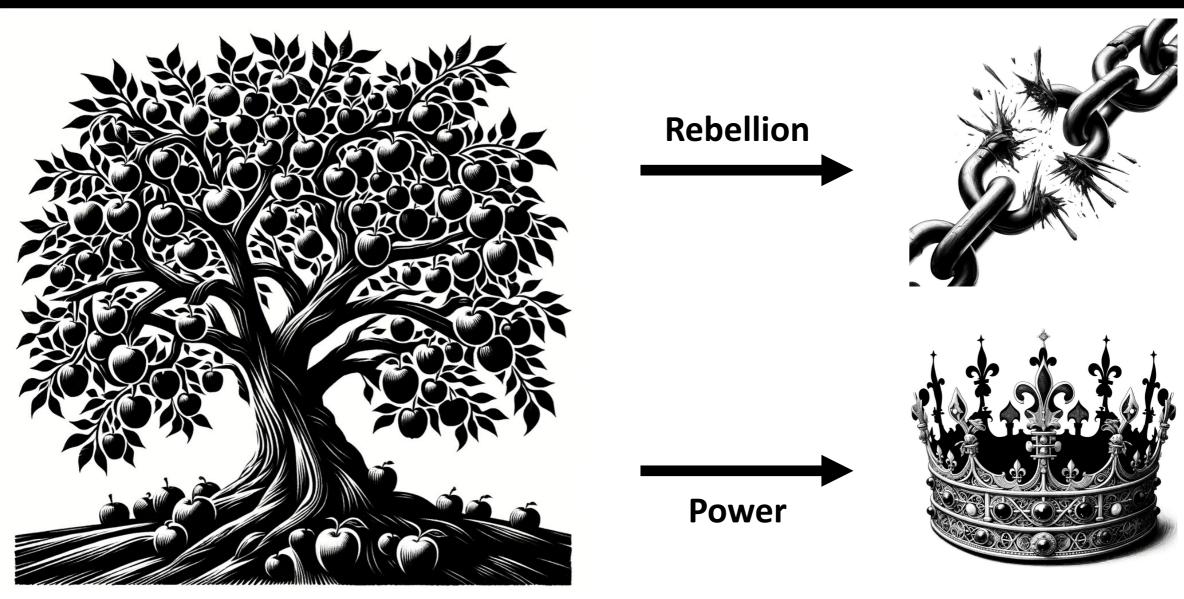


Vision vs Perception





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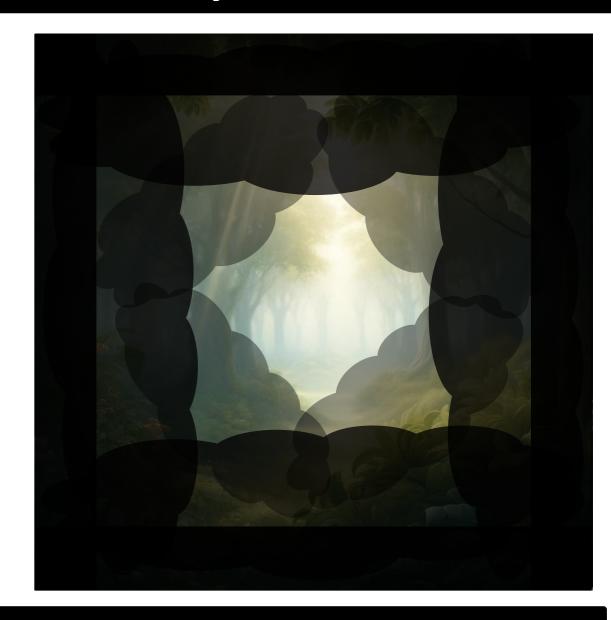
GENESIS 3

Now the aserpent was more bubtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3 But of the fruit of the atree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

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Tunnel Vision or Godly Focus?

HEBREWS 12

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the asin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.





Honing Selective Attention

Where is our

Circumstances

EXODUS 4

10 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I am slow of a speech, and of a b slow tongue.

Opportunities

1 SAMUEL 3

8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that the LORD had called the child.



Honing Selective Attention

Where is our Focus?

Worldly Demands

LUKE 9

61 And another also said, Lord, I will afollow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

62 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the aplough, and blooking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

Ecclesial Service

PHILIPPIANS 2

4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:



Honing Selective Attention

Where is our Focus?

The Bad

NUMBERS 13

32 And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great stature.

33 And there we saw the ^agiants,

The Good

NUMBERS 13

27 And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it ^afloweth with milk and honey; and this is the fruit of it.

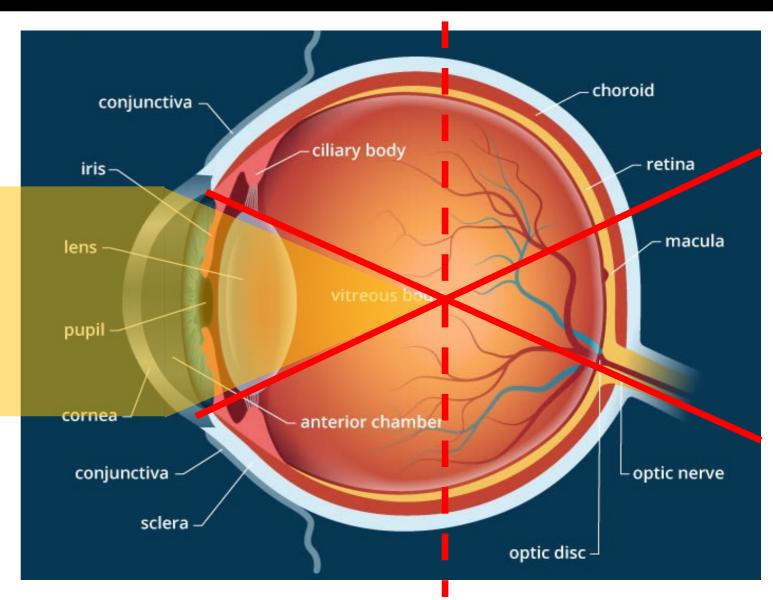
30 And ^aCaleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.



Near Sighted – Present Suffering

"Many are the afflictions of the righteous...

Psalm 34:19



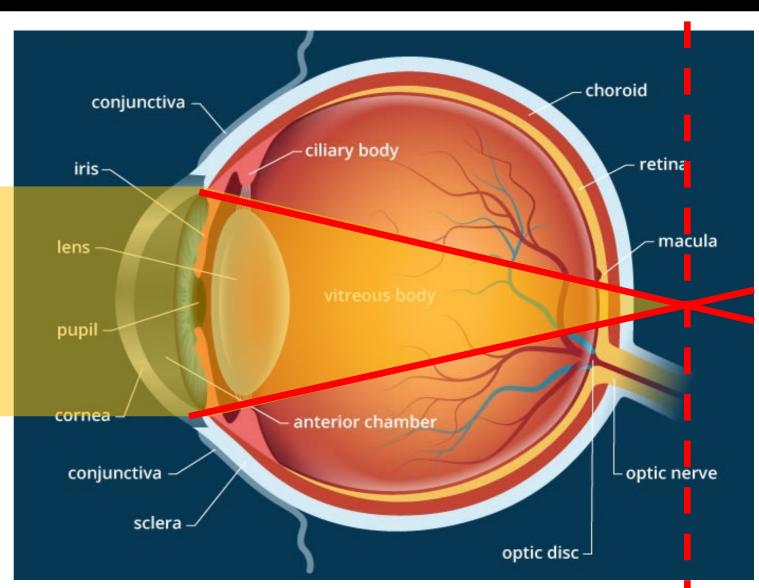


Far Sighted – Future Glory

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Psalm 34:19

...but the LORD delivereth him out of them all."

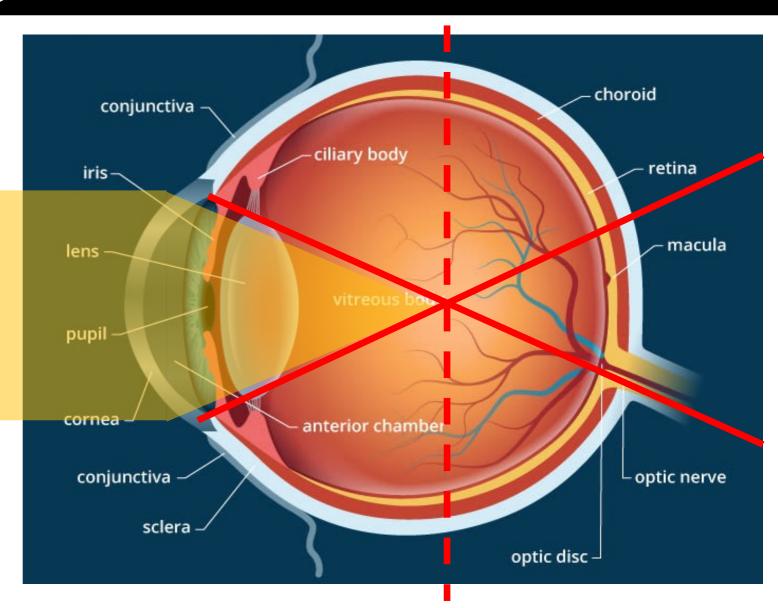




Near Sighted – Contentment

"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things..."

Matt 6:34





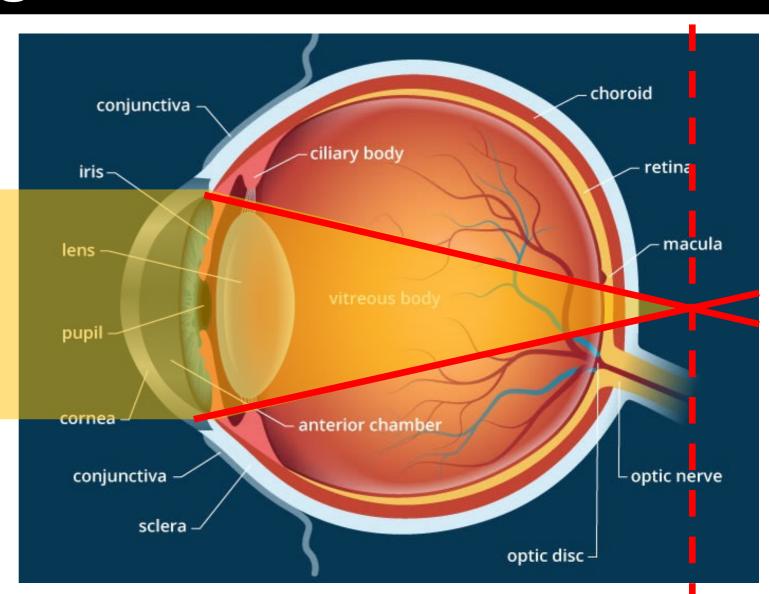
Far Sighted – "When..."

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Matt 6:34

James 4:17

"Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin."



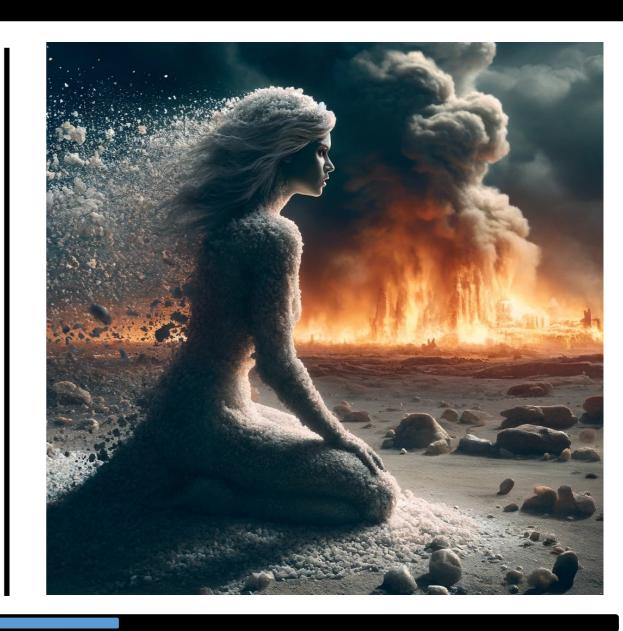


Remember Lot's Wife

GENESIS 19

17 ¶ And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; alook not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed. 18 And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my Lord:

19 Behold now, thy servant hath found ^agrace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:





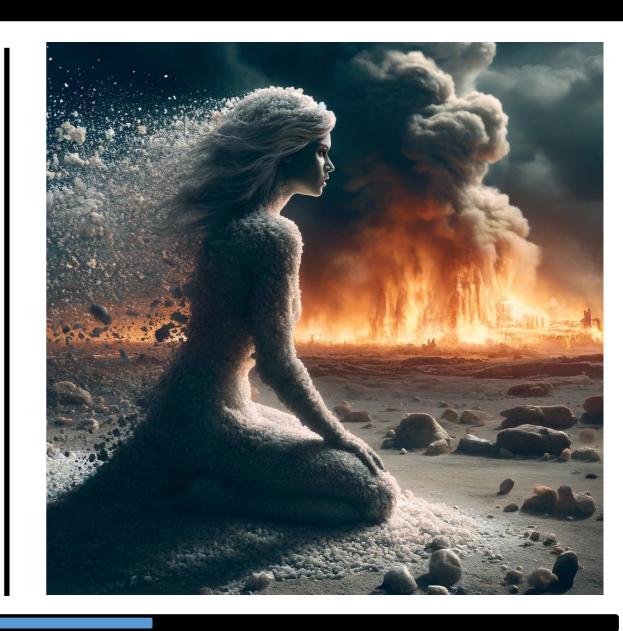
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H5027 - nâbaṭ, naw-bat To look intently at; by implication, to regard with pleasure, favor or care





If Thine Eye Be Single

MATTHEW 6

22 The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine aeye be single, thy whole body shall be full of clight.

23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that ^adarkness!

24 ¶ ^aNo man can ^bserve two ^cmasters: for either he will ^dhate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and ^emammon.





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G573 - ἀπλοῦς haploûs, hap-looce' From G1 and G4120 Folded, braided or woven together





Pressing Toward the Mark

PHILIPPIANS 3

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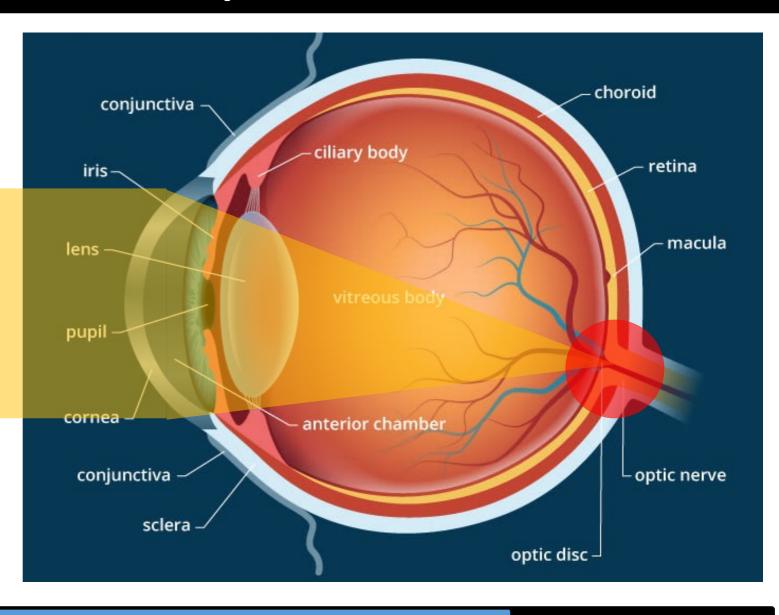
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G5046 - téleios, tel'-i-os Complete, of full age





Blind Spots





Opening the Eyes of the Blind

MARK 8

22 ¶ And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and besought him to touch him.

23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when he had spit on his eyes, and put his a hands upon him, he asked him if he saw bought.

24 And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking.

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The Progression of Sight

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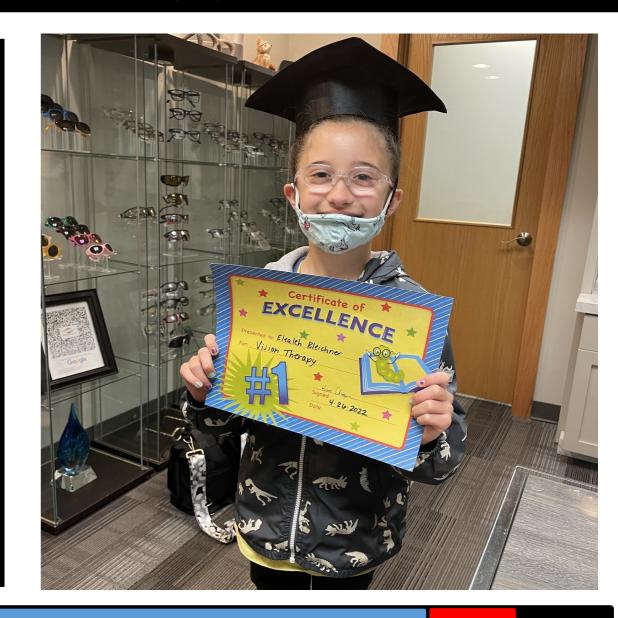
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- 5. Put his hands on him
- 6. Asked him if he could see
- 7. Put his hands on him again
- 8. Made him look up



Vision Therapy

- 1. Tracking how your eyes follow objects
- 2. Fixation how quickly and accurately your eyes can focus on an object
- 3. Focus change ability to focus on a new object without blur
- 4. Depth perception ability to perceive relative distance
- 5. Peripheral vision ability to perceive objects around you
- 6. Binocularity how your eyes work together
- 7. Maintain attention ability to avoid visual distraction
- 8. Near/Far acuity how clearly you see
- 9. Visualization ability to use your mind's eye





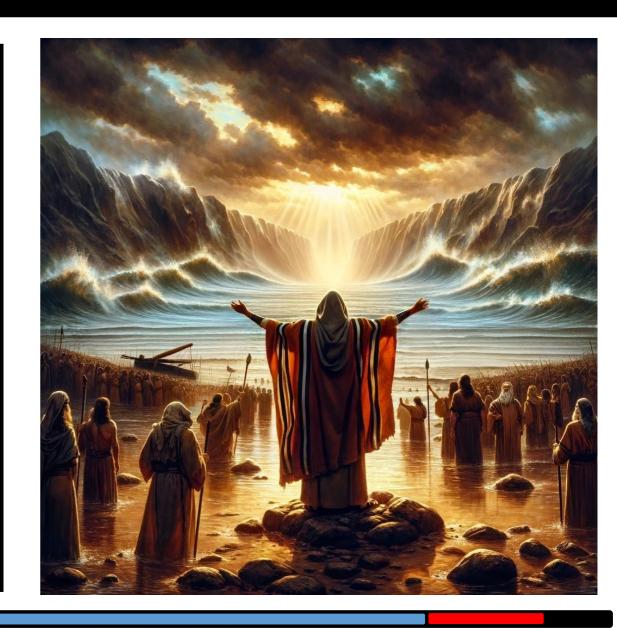
See the Salvation of the LORD

EXODUS 14

12 Is not this the aword that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to been the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.

13 ¶ And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will ashew to you to day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye shall see them again no more for ever.

14 The LORD shall ^afight for you, and ye shall hold your ^bpeace.





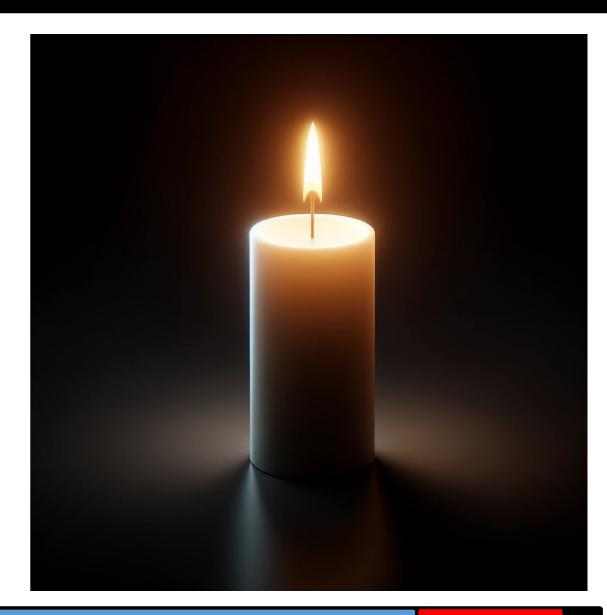
Shining as Lights in Darkness

MATTHEW 5

14 Ye are the ^alight of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15 Neither do men light a acandle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

16 Let your alight so shine before men, that they may see your good bworks, and cglorify your Father which is in heaven.



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