

To see the unseen June 8th

Almost one third of June has passed by. Personally June is a special month may be it is the dividing line of the year and also because of my birthday and the birthdays of many of the special people in my life. June is also the month of deep retrospection for me. More than happily celebrating I turn back the pages of my life and think and thank the wonderful, unfathomable ways of God in my life. I personally thank all my friends who have prayed for me so far.

I was recently thinking about my life and thought if God would ask me to choose a life from different kinds of life what will I choose. Without any second thoughts I knew I would not want any other life but my own with all its trials and triumphs in Christ Jesus. Then I told the Lord like this, "Lord I would only choose my own life all over again but now I would be careful not doing some of those silliest mistakes of my life."

But I am so grateful that despite all my silliest, stupidest, costliest mistakes of my life, my Father God never stopped loving me, never stopped working on me, never abandoned me. It awes me to think that right from the moment I slipped into this world and even before I was formed in the matrix of my mother the Eyes started watching over me and has never left me till now. Yeah sometimes I was not able to see His face, His silences were terrible, but I always knew my God was watching. Yeah there were times of pain, agony, loneliness, betrayal but there

were also those glorious moments in the Mount of Transfiguration gazing into the beauty of His Holiness. There were those wonderful moments of the Spirit of God ministering to the broken through my brokenness, His joy in me making others glad. Oh the unsearchable wisdom of God.

I was lately reading Hebrews 11, the hall of fame of faith. What clearly struck me this time was that every single character listed here always had their eyes set not on the now but somewhere in the future.

Noah trusted in God's word regarding rain which he had not seen and built the ark, Abraham looked for the city of God with foundations whose architect and builder is God.

Issac blessed Jacob and Esau in regard to their future. Joseph gave instruction about his bones that they should be only laid to rest in Promised Land.

Moses chose to be mistreated along with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt because he was looking ahead to his reward.

The best verse in the whole chapter is that they saw the Promise at a distance and welcomed it acknowledging that they were aliens and strangers on earth. V.13. This chapter really touched me deeply once again and challenged me to live life once again from the perspective of eternity.

To look at that City of God and to invest our time and energy here to reach that City. So easily we get side tracked by the glamour of the world and settle down as though this is eternal. Probably that is why the author starts the next chapter exhorting us also to look unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith to run our race with perseverance and patience.

Lord I pray that you give us a heavenly vision that we always look to your eyes and only do what is eternal in Your Kingdom to come. Give us the eyes of the prophet, help us to see the unseen and follow the tracks of Your sheep so that we may reach the Shepherd. Shepherd us, guide us and guratd us. In Jesus precious name. Amen. Amen.