

Looking Unto Jesus

“Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.” Hebrews 12:2

Looking unto Jesus in the Word of God. To learn what He is, what He has done, what He gives, and what He desires. To find in Him our pattern for life, and in His teachings our instruction. To find in Christ full satisfaction for our thirsty souls.

Looking unto Jesus on the cross. To find in His shed blood our complete pardon and forgiveness. To discover that we have been completely justified and made righteous. To know that our debt of sin has been paid in full!

Looking unto Jesus risen from the grave. To see Him as the first fruits of those who sleep. To know that because He lives we live also!

Looking unto Jesus as our high priest. Who even at this moment appears before the throne of God as our advocate. Who ever-lives to intercede for His people.

Looking unto Jesus revealed through the Holy Spirit. So that we might have constant communion and fellowship in the presence of Jesus. To have the darkness of our hearts revealed in the light of His glory and to enable us to triumph over temptation.

Looking unto Jesus and at nothing else. To have our eyes so fixed on Him so that we are turned away from all else.

Looking unto Jesus and not at our creeds. The faith which saves us is not giving assent to the doctrine of salvation, but knowing Jesus. It is not enough to know about Him, we must have a personal relationship with Him!

Looking unto Jesus and not at our prayers, our worship and our church meetings. Let us faithfully use these things as a means to grace, but without confusing them for grace itself.

Looking unto Jesus and not at our position. Never looking at our education, our wealth, our doctrine or denomination. Not looking at the opinions others have formed about us good or bad.

Looking unto Jesus and not at our brothers. Not even the best among them and the most loved. In following man we always run the risk of losing our way. The best men will sometimes stumble, but Jesus never fails. Always keep Jesus between you and every relationship.

Looking unto Jesus and not at our problems. As soon as we stop to consider them they will confuse us, frighten us, and overwhelm us. It was when the disciple took his eyes off Jesus he began to sink. As long as his eyes were fixed on Jesus the water beneath his feet was like rock!

Looking unto Jesus and not at the law. The law condemns and never pardons. If we put ourselves under law we remove ourselves from grace. Jesus is the end of the law for righteousness to all who believe!

Looking unto Jesus and not at our defeats and victories. If we look at our defeats we become discouraged. If we look at our victories we will become puffed up.

Looking unto Jesus with a constant gaze until we are “changed into the same image from glory to glory.” Looking unto Jesus until that moment when we pass from earth to heaven and from time to eternity! When “we shall see Him, and we shall be like Him.”