

## SERMON: BELIEVE AND SEE

### SCRIPTURE: John 11:32-44

**Introduction:** Too often in spiritual matters, faith or believing comes only as a result of what one sees. If a “non-believer” sees something of a miraculous nature, then he says he will believe. In the study, we will note that this order is reversed...one is told to “believe and see the glory of God.” Therefore, seeing is a result of believing.

#### 1. JESUS CALLS FOR FAITH TO GAIN RESULTS

- a. When Jesus was faced with the death of Lazarus. He told the sisters “If thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God.” (John 11:40)
- b. Jesus told the father of the son taken in seizures, “If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.” (Mark 9:23)
- c. Jesus told the two blind men desiring healing, “According to your faith (believing) be it unto you.” (Matthew 9:28-29)

#### 2. BELIEVE AND SEE WHAT GOD CAN DO

- a. **Moses** believed and saw God roll the waters of the Red Sea back so the children of Israel could cross and escape the Egyptians.
- b. **Joshua** believed in the instructions of God and saw the walls of Jericho fall and the city delivered in the hands of the Israelites.
- c. **David** dared to believe and go forth in the name of Jehovah and see the giant, Goliath, conquered.
- d. The **Three Hebrew Children** believed God and escaped the horrible death by fire planned by their enemies.

#### 3. BELIEVE AND SEE THE GLORY OF GOD IN YOUR LIFE

- a. Jesus promised “that whatsoever believeth on Him (Jesus should not perish, but have life everlasting.” **Believe and See** the glory of God throughout eternity.
- b. Many accept the fact of great miracles in the Bible, but can’t seem to believe for personal salvation and deliverance
- c. It is hard for the natural mind to understand this “Spiritual Birth.” Nicodemus asked, “How can these things be? (John 3)

**Conclusion:** If man could only believe today, he could indeed see the glory of God. The rule is however, to believe only that which we can see.