SPIRITUAL EYE EXAM

- 1. I don't really have the patience or foresight to envision my future much.
- a) Always (10 points)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (1 point)
- 2. I'm greatly influenced by the present circumstances and situations in my life.
- a) Always (10 points)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (1 point)
- 3. I have a hard time enjoying my day-today life and tend to look to future for events for happiness.
- a) Always (1 point)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (10 points)
- 4. I find it difficult to enjoy what I have now, and find myself always longing for more.
- a) Always (1 point)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (10 points)
- 5. My attention is often divided between God's Kingdom and the ways of the world.
- a) Always (10 points)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (1 point)

- 6. I find it hard to devote myself fully as Christ-follower.
- a) Always (10 points)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (1 point)
- 7. The Lord's voice and the Holy Spirit's leading are getting harder for me to recognize.
- a) Always (1 point)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (10 points)
- 8. I don't really enjoy spending as much time with God as I once did.
- a) Always (1 point)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (10 points)
- 9. It's a challenge for me to take God at His Word.
- a) Always (10 points)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (1 point)
- 10. I think I perceive things differently than others. I tend to filter things first.
- a) Always (10 points)
- b) Sometimes (5 points)
- c) Rarely (1 point)



ANSWER KEY

Questions 1 & 2

If you scored 15-20 points, you may be spiritually **Nearsighted.** This is when an individual can see objects clearly when they are near or close to them, but objects that are at a distance appear blurred. For example, you might be able to read a book without any problems, but watching TV from across the room will look blurry. Being nearsighted in the spiritual sense could describe a person who only has short-term vision. They don't have the patience or foresight to see the future with their eyes of faith. They are governed by the here and now, and by what is most prominently displayed in their life. We can all suffer from spiritual nearsightedness for a season. If we stay nearsighted permanently, though, our eyes of faith stay underdeveloped.

Questions 3 & 4

If you scored only 1-6 points, you may be spiritually **Farsighted.** A farsighted individual can see objects clearly that are at a distance, but up close, they appear blurred. These individuals can read road signs clearly when driving but might find reading a phone difficult. Being farsighted, in the spiritual sense, could characterize a person who only lives for tomorrow and cannot enjoy today. This kind of person has what could be called "destination disease." They believe they will be happy only when a certain milestone or point in time is reached. They will be happy when they get married, when they have kids, when they can retire, when they move, and so on. The problem with this condition is that they cannot enjoy the process or journey of learning and growing along the way. They spend their whole lives pursuing what they don't yet have instead of valuing and enjoying what they do have now.

Questions 5 & 6

If you scored 15-20 points, you may have spiritual **Astigmatism**. Astigmatism is when the surface of the lens or cornea is not spherical, but egg-shaped. The eye then focuses on two separate points instead of one. This causes blurred vision at near and far distances and difficulty seeing at night. Spiritual astigmatism could be compared to double-mindedness or double devotion. It could describe someone who has one foot in church and the other in willful sin. This causes divided attention and devotion between the ways of the world and the ways of God's Kingdom. Again, these are conditions that can befall us all temporarily with the ups and downs of life, but if they become permanent, they can really skew our vision.

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Questions 7 & 8

If you scored only 1-6 points, you may have spiritual **Cataracts**. Cataracts cause the clouding of the lens in one eye or both. This causes a person's vision to become cloudy, blurry, or dim. Colors can look faded, or lights can appear too bright. Halos can even appear around lights. Spiritual cataracts can cloud God's Word, voice, and vision. The person of Jesus and the voice of the Holy Spirit becomes dimmer and lower. Things this person used to enjoy and understand about God don't interest them anymore. The brightness of loving God has diminished, and halos of light appear around things they once thought were too dark. This is a scary place to remain in permanently and requires a spiritual awakening to overcome.

Questions 9 & 10

If you scored 15-10 points, you may be spiritually **Color Blind.** Color blindness prevents individuals from seeing colors the way most others do. It makes distinguishing distinct colors and shades difficult. Some people can't tell the difference between red and green, while others can't differentiate between blue and yellow. Most people who are color blind don't realize they are, as people tend to get used to the way they see color. Spiritual color blindness is deceptive because the individual doesn't realize they have a false perception of what they see. How they view God's Word, will, and ways can be jaded. They find it difficult to differentiate between what God is saying and what the enemy is speaking and showing them. They have a challenging time knowing what is from God and what is not.

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