# Transformative Power of Divine Encounters

Worship Divine Presence Legacy

### Basic Information

- Date & Time: 2024-04-10 18:37:50
- Location: [Oasis Bible Training Center]
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- Title: One Glance of His Eyes

#### 河 Summary

In this powerful message, "One Glance of His Eyes," Steve Porter dives deep into the transformative power of encountering Jesus and being captivated by His loving gaze. Drawing from personal experiences, stories from deeper life history, and profound scriptural insights, Porter emphasizes the importance of cultivating a lifestyle of intimacy with Christ.

Throughout the teaching, he highlights how a single glance from the eyes of Jesus can change everything, bringing restoration, healing, and a deeper revelation of God's unconditional love. Porter challenges listeners to develop "dove eyes" - a singleminded focus on Jesus - and to avoid distractions that can lead to spiritual lukewarmness. Using examples from the life of Walter Beuttler and the Song of Solomon, Porter illustrates the depths of God's affection for His bride and the joy that comes from pursuing His presence wholeheartedly. He also stresses the significance of obedience as a sign of true love for God and the importance of honoring spiritual fathers and mothers who have gone before us.

This message serves as a passionate call to prioritize sitting at the table of the Lord, gazing into His eyes, and allowing the fire of His divine love to consume and transform every aspect of our lives. As you listen, you'll be inspired to seek a deeper, more intimate relationship with Jesus and to let His glory shine through you to impact the world around you.

## Knowledge Points and Outline

Introduction

- The Lord's presence is truly in this place
- The song "I Stand in Awe of You" will be a theme throughout the 9 weeks
- God will impart an awe of Him into our hearts
- I. The Power of One Glance from Jesus' Eyes
  - A. Steve's father's encounter with Jesus at age 15
  - B. Nothing compares to standing in front of Jesus and being captivated by His beauty
  - C. Jesus is always standing and gazing in our direction
- II. Walter Beuttler's Story
  - A. People loved him, but some were jealous of his ministry and wanted to shut it down

- B. He nearly quit the ministry due to the crushing opposition
- C. Jesus appeared to him in physical form, assuring him of His presence and protection
- D. One encounter with Jesus changed everything for Walter Beuttler and so it will be with you.
- III. The Bride's Response to Jesus' Gaze
  - A. Song of Solomon 4:9 "You have ravished my heart with one glance of your eyes"
  - B. Jesus longs for us to look in His direction and be caught up in His presence
  - C. When we go into prayer, Jesus is excited to hear from us
- IV. Our Value to God
  - A. Luke 12:7 Even the hairs of our head are numbered; we are valuable to God
  - B. Psalm 139:14 We are fearfully and wonderfully made
  - C. Jeremiah 1 God has holy plans for every person's life
  - D. 2 Chronicles 16:9 God is looking for those who are totally committed to Him
- V. The Prodigal Son
  - A. He wasted his inheritance on riotous living
  - B. He came to himself and realized the emptiness of his lifestyle
  - C. His father ran to meet him, looked him in the eyes with love, and restored him
  - D. God is a God of restoration, healing, and love
- VI. Pursuing Intimacy with Jesus
  - A. Proverbs 5:21 Our ways are before the eyes of the Lord

- B. We must avoid taking a "face walk" from the Lord and slipping into apathy
- C. Steve's personal dream of Jesus appearing in his car
- D. The importance of obedience and pleasing God
- VII. The Fire of Divine Love
  - A. Revelation 1:14, 19:12 Jesus' eyes are like flames of fire
  - B. His consuming love burns away the dross and sin in our lives
  - C. Song of Solomon 8:6-7 Love is as strong as death, a vehement flame
  - D. Agape love is unconditional and transforms us into His image

Conclusion

- When we look into the eyes of Jesus, we are transformed (Acts 6:15)
- We must ask the Lord for dove eyes undistracted devotion to Him
- An invitation to come back to the Lord's table and feast on His presence

## ? Questions

- 1. How can one glance from the eyes of Jesus be so transformative? What does this reveal about the power of intimacy with Christ?
- 2. In what ways do people take a "face walk" from the Lord in their Christian walk? How can this be avoided?
- 3. The speaker emphasizes the importance of obedience as a sign of truly loving God. Why is obedience sometimes

difficult, and how can we cultivate a heart of joyful obedience?

- 4. How does the story of the prodigal son illustrate God's heart for restoration and healing, even for those who have strayed far from Him?
- 5. What is the significance of having "dove eyes" eyes that are focused solely on Jesus? How can Christians develop this kind of single-minded devotion?
- 6. The speaker shares about honor and preserving the legacy of past ministers. Why is honoring spiritual fathers and mothers important?
- 7. How does knowing that God is "always on the lookout for people who are totally committed to Him?" How does this impact the way we live our daily lives?
- 8. In what ways can lukewarmness and apathy creep into a Christian's life? How can this be recognized and overcome?
- 9. The speaker emphasizes that it is the Lord who imparts the message and does the deep work in hearts. Explain this more.
- 10. What are some practical ways Christians can cultivate a lifestyle of gazing into the eyes of Jesus and sitting at His table regularly?
- 11. How does the understanding that Jesus has "dove eyes" for each believer individually impact one's view of God's love and attention?

- 12. In the Song of Solomon, it says "love flashes like fire" and cannot be quenched. How is God's agape love different than human, conditional love?
- 13. The speaker talks about having tunnel vision for Jesus and not being distracted by the things of the world. What are common distractions that can divert Christians' attention from Jesus?
- 14. How can Christians discern the difference between phileo (brotherly) love and agape (unconditional) love in their relationships with others?
- 15. What does it mean for the bride of Christ to "shine like a city on a hill" and carry the glory of God? How will this impact the world?

#### Quotes

- "One glance from his eyes changes everything. Nothing can be compared to standing straight in front of Jesus and being captivated by His beauty."
- 2. "If we realized that Jesus was sitting in the passenger seat, we would talk to him more often."
- 3. "Give us dove eyes, Lord. Tunnel vision. We don't want to be like the mule, easily distracted."
- 4. "When you allow the eyes that blaze like fire, the fire of divine love, to look in your direction, you will be transformed into His likeness. And others will know that you have been with Jesus."

5. "I want to convince you tonight in love to look toward the eyes of Jesus more often. To ask the Lord tonight for dove eyes."

#### Assignments

-Read your 2 books from Beuttler and Porter. -Read the notes and answer your study questions.