

Jesus Said...

**"Blessed are
your eyes,
and your ears,
for they see,"**

for they hear,"

(Matthew 13:16)

One time when Jesus was talking to His disciples, He told them they were special. He had been telling them about people who had heard His teachings and had seen His miracles and yet refused to believe. He said, "But blessed are your eyes, for they see; and your ears, for they hear." You are special, too, because you are living in the most unusual time ever. Never before has there been an age like this one. The opportunities for knowledge are unlimited. There is more knowledge in the world today than ever before. But where are most of the people looking for their knowledge? Many people are looking to teachers of all kinds for learning. And as King Solomon wrote, "Of making many books there is no end" (Ecclesiastes 12:12). The Prophet Daniel possibly wrote of this time in Daniel 12:4: "Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased."

and hear the things you want me to hear about your unfolding plan for my life. Help me to be faithful to the truths I learn and to grow to be more like Jesus. Thank you for saving my soul. In Jesus' name, Amen."

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man kind today by the Holy Spirit. But the Holy Spirit cannot dwell in the person who has not yet received Jesus as the Lord of his life. Jesus wants to be the "boss" of your life and your best friend. In Revelation 3:20, He says, "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." You may have seen the artist's drawing of Jesus standing at the door knocking. Is Jesus knocking at the door of your heart, asking to come in? If He is, open your heart to Him. He died a cruel death on a cross long ago to give His blood as an offering for the sins of everyone.

The life of sin, under the devil's control, is a hard life. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23). This offering Jesus made for you is a gift. But a gift, to be received and used, must be accepted. If you are not a Christian, won't you open your heart to Jesus and accept His gift of eternal life? "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

Jesus told His disciples their eyes and ears were blessed because they were seeing and hearing things that the Old Testament people wanted to see and hear. You are special because you have the opportunity to see and hear many of the truths Jesus' disciples saw and heard. They did not have the New Testament part of the Bible to read as you do. You have many other opportunities to see and hear God's unfolding plan for the world and the people who have accepted Jesus into their lives.

If you feel a "pull" in your heart that you are a sinner, this is Jesus calling you. Bow your head and pray this prayer:
"Heavenly Father, I know that I am a sinner, and I want you to forgive me. I hereby accept Jesus as my personal Saviour. Help me to turn from a life of sin to a new life led by Jesus. I want the Holy Spirit to come into my life so I can see