## Spiritual Focus

**Real Power From Above** 

# The Center, The Main, The Support The Priority At Hand

Proverbs 1:20-27

Wisdom from Above

Wisdom from The Beginning

v.20 Shouting at us. v.21 Above the clutter and chaos

v.22 Pay attention v.23 Turn to the center (Wisdom)

v.24-25 Neglect = Distractions

v.26-27 You had Warning . Should have paid attention

#### Focal Practice

- Clear View
  - Lowers Distractions
    - Everyday problems
  - Foggy glasses, wind shield wipers, cell phone cover
  - Muddy waters
    - Spiritual Problems
  - Gossip, false doctrine, laziness, false witness

#### Peripheral Vision

- Positives = Anticipate , For Caution , Multitask , Diversity
- Protecting the Center Relationship, New Challenges

Missing out

Hyper focused

Wrong Center

Eli 2 Sons 1 Samuel 2:29

### Periphery of God

- Colossians 1:13-18
- He is Creation
- Unmeasurable Border or Outer Edge
- Psalm 74:12-17
  - V.12 spiritual deliverer V. 13 -17 creator
  - To be "in Him" helps the focusing process

#### Who is The Center?

- Jehovah The Highest
- King
- Creator
- Deliverer
- Master
- The Great I Am
- The Beginning
- Father
- Father of Our Savior
- Judge

## Don't get Caught Looking the Wrong Way

- The idea of following is to keep close contact.
- Paying Attention.
- Locating Thee Shepherd.

## 4 Things To Help Brighten Up The View

### 1. Commit To Searching

- 1 Thessalonians 5:19-24
- We are called to examine.

- 1 Thessalonians 5: 12-15
- Pitching In
  - Seek Goodness, Encourage, Help, Be Patient, Be Peaceful, Get Involved

#### 2. Clean The Lens

- 1 Peter 2:21-25
- Live as an example
- Get rid of the clouds, blemishes and distractions.
- Distorts / Changes Perspective

#### 3. Use The Light Of The World

- John 1:4,9
- Matthew 5: 14-16
- Brightens The Path , Shows Detail
- Luke 15: 8-10
  - It is hard to find a precious coin in the darkness.

#### 4. The Price of Being Out of Focus

- John 10:24-30
- Jesus came to save us, from perishing into an eternal death with no chance of redemption

#### Proper Focus and Light is Critical In Salvation

- Ask a surgeon
- John 3:19-21
- "This is the judgement, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil.
- For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will exposed.
- But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God.