

PRAISE FOR SPIRITUAL VISION

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Thank you, mighty, gentle God, for spiritual vision

to behold the beauty in another's smile.

You allow me to see persons with an "I've got a secret"

kind of joy in Jesus, though their hearts are torn with tears.

Thank you for giving me eyes of love for children and youth

to view them not as rebellious, sullen and withdrawn,

but as fragile, flailing babes of yours crying out,

"Look at me, touch me, love me, help me, show me the way."

Thank you, God, for taking away the cloudy vision

causing me to view life through hurts and wounds

of days past, and to see clearly your desires for me.

Help me to embrace today's opportunities wholeheartedly.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your coworker

in lifting one or two from the pit of spiritual blindness.

I praise you that you gift me to see glimpses of greatness

in those who see themselves as ordinary or worthless.

Thank you for expanding my circle of friends to

increase the scope of my life and enrich it with love

that comes in rainbow-hued colors

from all ethnic groups and cultures.

Thank you for giving me the ability to see wrinkles of age

as character lines etched by living life to the hilt, and
for vision to see fine details of another's face like tatted lace
revealing a unique pattern of personality.

Thank You for sending people to expand my spiritual vision

to open my eyes to understand your Word.

to demonstrate a Christlike lifestyle for me to follow.

Your ambassadors teach me, I thank you, Lord.

Thank you most of all, precious Creator God, for sending Jesus,

to show me the path of life, the vision of eternal life you give.

that can't be lost by failing sight or ageing eyes

but only enhanced as I serve you day by day.

Thank you, mighty, gentle God, for loving me. Amen and Amen!