

# Can You See Clearly?

*Mark 8.22-26*

## 1. Unbelievers – blind to Jesus, v22

- **blinded minds 2 Cor 4.4**
  - **can't see true glory of Jesus**
- **dazzled by other 'gods' 2 Cor 4.4**
  - **Satan deceives people**  
**Rev 20.10; John 8.44**
  - **"more attractive alternatives"**  
**Rom 1.25**
  - **God's good gifts become more important than God himself**
- **bring the blind to Jesus!**
  - **some find him by themselves**  
**7.25; 5.22,27**
  - **most need to be brought**  
**1.32; 2.3; 7.32; 10.13**

## 2. Seekers: partially sighted – but confused, vs 23-24

- *Jesus treats us as individuals,  
touching us at our point of need*
- *seekers find truth a jumble of ideas  
Jesus wants us to see clearly*
  - *his identity John 14.9;*
  - *life's purpose Col 1.16;*
  - *how to know God John 14.6*

## 3. Born again Believers see clearly v25

- *clarity comes only from Jesus  
by his Holy Spirit within us*  
*1 Cor 2.9-10,14; John 3.3*
- *we gradually see more and more  
total insight still awaits us*  
*1 Cor 13.12*
- *but Jesus wants our eyes  
to be opened by him and to him*  
*John 9.25; Rev 3.18;*  
*2 Cor 4.6; Acts 26.18; Luke 4.18*