

Daily Devotion For September 16, 2021

“He looked up and said, “I see people’ they look like trees walking around.”
Mark 8:24

We have been praying for Ellie Hattori who this past Monday had cataract surgery. Ellie writes, “My procedure went perfectly but I am now having vision issues. I have lost depth perception because of the difference between the two eyes. We are hoping things will settle down soon. I can’t look at my computer for any length of time comfortably.”

If you have ever had a vision test, you probably recall being asked to read the smallest line that you can see clearly on the eye chart. Then you may have received eyedrops and additional tests to determine the best optics for you. When you look through a series of lenses, you tell the doctor which ones are blurry or clear, and the adjustments are made to achieve the right focus. The results determine whether or not you need corrective lenses. But if you are not honest about what you see, you are not helping the doctor or yourself.

When Jesus walked along the street of Bethsaida, he was interrupted by the friends of a man who was blind, asking Jesus to heal him. Jesus spat and put his hands on the man’s eyes. He asked the man what he could see. The man’s response was honest, and he talked about seeing people that looked like walking trees. There was vision but it was not yet clear. Jesus touched the man a second time and his vision became clear.

Thought For Today: There are times when we do not see clearly. Sometimes we stumble along with blurred vision. That is usually our problem. We need to follow Jesus carefully, and we need to ask him to continue working in our situations so that we too can see clearly.

Today’s Prayer Focus: Pray for Ellie Hattori that her vision problems will clear up quickly. Pray that Jesus will continue to work in your life and help you to see clearly. Continue praying the prayer fuel. Deo Volente.