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How is your eyesight? I may be in need of an eye examination soon. My vision is not as sharp as it once was. I find myself squinting more often to try and see things better. I may need a new prescription soon.

Having bad eyesight is part of our sinful human nature. I am not simply talking about physical sight; I am talking about our poor spiritual eyesight. Paul writes, "Now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face" (1 Corinthians 13:12). In our limited sinful nature, we can't always "see" how God has blessed us now, or "see" what God has in store for our future.

In the sinful world that we live in, our vision of God's reign is clouded by trials and suffering. Our vision of God is blurred by sin and we can't "see" God perfectly. In the book of Revelation, John received a sneak peek into heaven and saw, in living color and high definition, the day when all the people of God from every nation, tribe, people, and language will be gathered around the throne of God in the presence of Jesus. On that day our cry will be, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" (Revelation 7:10). Until then, "we walk by faith, not by sight" under the care of Jesus, our Good Shepherd (2 Corinthians 5:7).