

Blind Guides

Scripture Reading — Matthew 15:10-14

“Leave them; they are blind guides. If the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit.”
—Matthew 15:14—

Scripture has a lot to say about the human senses. And just as we can damage our physical senses, we also can damage our soul.

Jesus often talked about people who are spiritually blind, deaf, or lame. This was not meant to put down people who have physical disabilities. In fact, Jesus often praised those who were physically disabled but spiritually whole.

Some religious leaders in his day were physically whole but spiritually corrupted—and should have known better. In speaking against Jesus, they showed themselves to be lacking spiritual sight. They had pious, wise-sounding words but really didn't know how the kingdom of God worked.

Often we are attracted by the words of leaders who sound wise to the world. We might even ignore the fact that their teaching goes against Scripture. But at what cost?

The apostle Paul says in 2 Timothy 4:3, “The time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear.” Paul is saying that when we follow a leader just to hear what we want to hear, we will end up in a ditch. Do you have “itching ears,” or will you walk on the path of sound teaching?

Prayer

God of heaven and earth, I confess that lies are often more attractive than truth. Help me to listen to your Word so that I can follow the path of loving you. Amen.

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