

FOCUS....a Lenten Devotional
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Optometrist: "lets check your vision". Then he rotates different lenses as you look ahead at the projected vision chart. Dr. says, "is this clearer"? click or is this better?" two choices, then more lens choices and clicks..... you as patient keep responding, "that's better Dr."

Finally, you can clearly see well and the new glasses are ordered. Or, you can see well and the Dr. says, "you don't need glasses" or "no change needed in your prescription".

As Christians we seek to clearly discern God's will for decisions and right living. Through events daily we want to focus on the Lord's will and guidance for us. James 1:5 states, "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all, without finding fault, and it will be given to you." As for the vision tests, in day by day life tests our God asks us "can you see better now?" as life goes on, "isn't this better, see, you are now discovering more of the way, the truth, and the life?" "More tests ahead and so glad you are learning". Lent is that special time before Easter but every day is a time to learn and grow spiritually.

As Matthew Henry, the Bible scholar said, "A mind that has but one single and prevailing regard to its spiritual and eternal interest, and that keeps steady in its purposes for God will grow wise..." "Let us aim for such a wholehearted confidence in God's goodness."