

# ANOINT THINE EYES WITH EYESALVE

*If you can't see then you are blind, and that  
is not a good condition to be in!*

# Where Does the Title Come From?

➤ Revelation 3:18

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*The dignitaries of church and state will unite to bribe, persuade, or compel all classes to honor the Sunday. The lack of divine authority will be supplied by oppressive enactments. Political corruption is destroying love of justice and regard for truth; and even in free America, rulers and legislators, in order to secure public favor, will yield to the popular demand for a law enforcing Sunday observance. Liberty of conscience, which has cost so great a sacrifice, will no longer be respected. In the soon-coming conflict we shall see exemplified the prophet's words: "The dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ." Revelation 12:17. {GC*

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Satan puts his interpretation upon events, and they think, as he would have them, that the calamities which fill the land are a result of Sunday-breaking. Thinking to appease the wrath of God, these influential men make laws enforcing Sunday observance. They think that by exalting this false rest day higher and still higher, compelling obedience to the Sunday law, the spurious sabbath, they are doing God service. {Ms85-1899}

# Why Are We Lacking Eyesalve?

- Manuscript #1, 1869
- Many who profess to believe the Word of God do not seem to understand the deceptive working of the enemy. They do not realize that the end of time is near. But Satan knows it, and while men sleep he works. The lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eye and the pride of life are controlling men and women. Satan is at work even among the people of God, to cause disunion and difference of opinion. There is biting and devouring among them, and Satan designs that they shall be consumed one of another. Selfishness, corruption, and evil of every kind is taking a firm hold upon hearts.

# Why Are We Lacking Eyesalve?

- Manuscript #1, 1869
- With many the precious Word of God is neglected. A novel or a story book engages the attention and fascinates the mind. Anything that will excite the imagination is eagerly devoured, while the Word of God is set aside. And in these last days many are weighed in the balances and found wanting, because they suffer their minds to be engrossed with things of little importance, while eternal truth is neglected. The truth of God, which would elevate, sanctify, refine, and fit us for the finishing touch of immortality, is set aside for things of minor importance. O that this blindness might pass away, and men and women understand the work that Satan is accomplishing among them.

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Counsels to Parents, Teachers, and Students, page 42.1
- *The eyes of our brethren and sisters should be anointed with heavenly eyesalve, that they may discern the necessities of the time. We must be aroused to see what needs to be done in Christ's spiritual vineyard, and go to work.*
- Discern the necessities of the time -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Counsels to Writers and Editors, page 174.5
- *We need, O so greatly, keen discernment, clear spiritual eyesight. Our eyes need to be anointed with the heavenly eyesalve, that we may see all things clearly. The great and solemn truths for this time are to be proclaimed through our papers, and into these papers we are to bring all the spiritual power that we can.*
- Ability to see spiritually
- Ability to see solemn truths -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- The Ellen G. White 1888 Materials, page 815.3
- *They need the heavenly eyesalve that they might discern with astonishment the utter worthlessness of creature merit to earn the wages of eternal life.*
- Our works do not earn eternal life -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Manuscript Release No. 926, page 35.4
- *We are daily to cherish a spirit of childlike submission, and pray that our eyes may be anointed with the heavenly eyesalve in order that we may discern the indications of the divine will, lest we become confused in our ideas, because our will seems to be all-controlling. With the eye of faith, with childlike submission as obedient children, we must look to God, to follow His guidance, and difficulties will clear away. The promise is, “I will instruct thee and teach thee . . . : I will guide thee with mine eye” (Psalm 32:8). . . .*
- Able to see the divine will -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- The Youth's Instructor, August 24, 1899 par. 2
- *Great possibilities, high and holy attainments, are placed within the reach of all who have true faith. Shall we not anoint our eyes with eye-salve, that we may discern the wonderful things God has for us?*
- Able to see the high and holy attainments -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Our High Calling, page 351.3
- *The gold of faith and love, the white raiment of a spotless character, and the eyesalve, or the power of clear discernment between good and evil--all these we must obtain before we can hope to enter the kingdom of God. But these precious treasures will not drop upon us without some exertion on our part. We must buy--we must "be zealous and repent" of our lukewarm state. We must be awake to see our wrongs, to search for our sins, and to put them away from us. . . .*
- Able to see good and evil (no gray) -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- The Review & Herald, February 14, 1899 par. 1
- *When our eyes are anointed with the holy eyesalve, we shall be able to detect the precious gems of truth, even though they may be buried beneath the surface.*
- Able to see truth difficult to find -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Reflecting Christ, 178.7
- *I pray that your eyes may be anointed with the heavenly eyesalve, that you may discern what is truth and what is error.*
- Able to see truth and error -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Selected Messages Book 1, page 358.3
- *We thank God that there are souls who realize that they are in need of something which they do not possess--gold of faith and love, white raiment of Christ's righteousness, eyesalve of spiritual discernment. If you possess these precious gifts, the temple of the human soul will not be like a desecrated shrine.*
- Able to see what desecrates the shrine, temple, the body -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Testimonies for the Church Volume Three, page 254.2
- *They will feel the necessity of buying gold, which is pure faith and love; white raiment, which is a spotless character made pure in the blood of their dear Redeemer; and eyesalve, which is the grace of God and which will give clear discernment of spiritual things and detect sin. These attainments are more precious than the gold of Ophir.*
- Able to see what is sin (and what leads to it) -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Testimonies for the Church Volume Four, page 88.2
- *The eyesalve is that wisdom and grace which enables us to discern between the evil and the good, and to detect sin under any guise. God has given His church eyes which He requires them to anoint with wisdom, that they may see clearly; but many would put out the eyes of the church if they could; for they would not have their deeds come to the light, lest they should be reproved. The divine eyesalve will impart clearness to the understanding.*
- Able to see towards understanding -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Testimonies for the Church Volume Five, page 233.2
- *The gold is faith and love, the white raiment is the righteousness of Christ, the eyesalve is that spiritual discernment which will enable you to see the wiles of Satan and shun them, to detect sin and abhor it, to see truth and obey it.*
- Able to see the wiles (not necessarily sin) of Satan and know how to shun them along with abhorring sin -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Testimonies for the Church Volume Six, page 368.3
- *As we apply the golden eyesalve we shall see the glories beyond.*
- Able to see what God has in store for us-

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Review and Herald, Oct. 8, 1889
- *I exhort you to have the eyesalve, that you may discern what God would have you do.*
- Able to see what God wants us to do for His kingdom -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Letter 22, June 22, 1896, to a church administrator in Australia.
- *A deceiving crookedness is discernible in the minds of those whose eyes are not anointed with the heavenly eyesalve that they may see all things in the light of God's Word.*
- Able to see personal life and events happening in light of God's Word -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Manuscript Releases Volume Seventeen, page 193.1
- *If we keep God's glory ever in view, our eyes will be anointed with the heavenly eyesalve; we will be able to look deeper, and see afar off what the world is.*
- Able to see what the world really is.
- We will see beyond the “innocent intent” and see what sin is lying at the door -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Manuscript Releases Volume Twenty, page 98.2
- *You need to buy the eyesalve that your eyes may be anointed, that you may discern things as God looks upon them.*
- Able to see things as God sees them instead of how humans see them -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Sermons and Talks Volume One, page 115.1
- *"Anoint thine eyes with eyesalve" --spiritual discernment, that you may discern between true righteousness and self righteousness.*
- Able to see true righteousness -

# What Does Lacking Eyesalve Specifically Apply To?

- Battle Creek Letters, page 69.3
- *I tell you the truth; I lie not. You need a renewed heart. Pray that your eyes may be anointed with the heavenly eyesalve, that you may discern the true character of your religions faith and experience.*
- Able to see your true faith and experience -

# What Did Jesus Command Us To Do?

➤ Matthew 26:41

# What Shall We Watch For?

- Counsels to Parents, Teachers, and Students, page 412.1
- *The Lord says, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." Matthew 26:41. "Watch" lest your studies accumulate to such proportions and become of such absorbing interest to you that your mind is overburdened and the desire for godliness is crushed out of your soul.*
- Watch against not having time for God
- Watch that interests don't become all absorbing and we desire the interest over the way of God -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- Special Testimonies On Education, page 124.1
- *The Lord says, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." The advice of your own brethren may cause you to swerve from the path which the Lord has marked out for you to walk in; for the minds of men are not always under the control of the Holy Spirit.*
- Watch against becoming dependent upon others for your spiritual life -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- Historical Sketches of the Foreign Missions of the Seventh-day Adventists, page 133.4
- *The admonition of the Saviour is, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." If Satan cannot prevent persons from exercising faith, he will try to lead them to presume upon the willingness and power of God, by placing themselves unnecessarily in the way of temptation. Presumption is a most common temptation, and as Satan assails men with this, he obtains the victory nine times out of ten.*
- Watch against presumptive activity -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- The Youth's Instructor, October 8, 1896 par. 2
- *We are living in an age when all should especially give heed to the injunction of the Saviour, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." One of your strong temptations is to irreverence. God is high and holy; and to the humble, believing soul, his house on earth, the place where his people meet for worship, is as the gate of heaven. The song of praise, the words spoken by Christ's ministers, are God's appointed agencies to prepare a people for the church above, for that loftier worship into which there can enter nothing that is impure, unholy.*
- Watch against irreverence, which includes attire for church -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- Testimonies for the Church Volume Five, page 485.2
- *We are living in an age when all should especially give heed to the injunction of the Saviour: "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." Let everyone bear in mind that he should be true and loyal to God, believing the truth, growing in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. The Saviour's invitation is: "Learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls." The Lord is willing to help us, to strengthen and bless us; but we must pass through the refining process until all the impurities in our character are burned away. Every member of the church will be subjected to the furnace, not to consume, but to purify.*
- Watch for purification -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- This Day With God, page 70.2
- *My children, watch unto prayer, and become more and more careful in regard to your words and your deportment. "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation" (Matthew 26:41). It is poor policy to give the enemy the slightest advantage.*
- Watch against wrong words and deportment (how we present ourselves) -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- The Review & Herald, April 17, 1894 par. 11
- *While on earth there will be no escape from conflicts and temptations; but in every storm we have a sure refuge. Jesus has told us, "In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." The forces of Satan are marshaled against us, and we have to meet a diligent foe; but if we take heed to the admonition of Christ, we shall be safe. "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation" (Matthew 26:41).*
- Watch against losing that "cheer"
- Instead of firing off, "I have had enough...", tell someone, "Hey, I am about to lose it, I need a break..."
- No more yelling, "I'm done. I'm out of here!" -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- The Gospel Herald, August 1, 1910 par. 3
- *Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation. There are stern battles to be fought. We should put on the whole armor of righteousness, and prove our selves strong and true in our Redeemer's service. God wants no idlers in his fields, but colaborers with Christ, vigilant sentinels at their posts, valiant soldiers of the cross, ready to do and dare all things for the cause in which they are enlisted.*
- Watch against going into battle partly dressed -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- Pacific Union Recorder, May 6, 1909 par. 3
- *Guard the false tongue.* "*Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation.*" *Be kind and courteous to one another. Do not wound Christ in the person of His saints.*
- Watch against exaggerations -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- The Signs of the Times, November 6, 1901 par. 1
- *To the people of God comes the injunction, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." Temptations born of selfishness and covetousness will come to us constantly, and constantly we are to resist them, strengthened by the grace of God. Before a world that is watching professing Christians, ready to make capital of any inconsistencies, those who put on Christ will work out the pure principles of heaven.*
- Watch against selfishness and coveting -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- Manuscript Releases Volume Ten, page 226.3
- *Christ, the world's Redeemer, saw this conflict approaching, and sends us the warning to "watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." [Luke 17:26-30 quoted.] It is not against the proper participation in business transactions that we are warned, but against indulgence, carrying that which is lawful to excess, allowing them to shut our minds up against the more important things of eternal life.*
- Watch against overwork that shuts out efforts for eternal life -

# What Shall We Watch For?

- The Ellen G. White 1888 Materials, page 1531.3
- *We must every one of us heed the words of Christ, "Watch unto prayer;" "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." Enter not, take not the first step in a wrong course.*
- Watch against taking that first step that may appear innocent -

# What is One of the Gifts Connected To Eyesalve?

➤ 1 Corinthians 12:8-10

