

Our Spiritual SIGHT: Personal reflections on the many ways we “See”

How does the Lord communicate with us through spiritual sense of SIGHT and use it for His good purpose?

There are so many references to God speaking to His people through dreams and visions in the Bible. Many of us experience this direct communication daily from the Lord and the Lord teaches us how to interpret what He shows us.

Some of you have asked if we could provide simple descriptions of how the Lord communicates through our spiritual sense of sight. Here are some ways I have experienced this personally and a short description with each.

Please note that these are general categories. What we experience from the Lord is unique to us. We may experience some of what is described here or we may experience other things that are not described here. This is just a place to begin, in order to help our members recognize what may be happening, to share with others as we continue to grow.

~~~DREAMS in General: (While Sleeping)

The Lord gives us dreams which vary from very simple and short to long and involved, having many different “scenes”. As we receive dreams and begin to seek Him directly for what He is saying, He gives us more and more and teaches us to interpret our dreams. Dreams are often symbolic, so our initial thought about what a dream means could easily be misinterpreted if we take it literally. The best thing to do when you first wake from a dream is to immediately begin speaking to the Lord about it. He will partner with you and communicate with you through this dream. He is the best Teacher, revealing the message He is giving us through the dream.

~Dreams: (Prophetic) One usually recognizes a truly prophetic dream quickly as it has a “wow” effect on us. It is often brightly lit with vibrant colors and seen very clearly. The symbolism is spiritual, often reflecting the things of God and the Kingdom. These dreams may be for a segment of or the whole Body of Christ, rather than just for us. The Lord will show you when you seek as He gives you the interpretation.

~Dreams: (Daydreams) Often times we can be sitting still by ourselves and we find ourselves in another place or “daydreaming” about something. The Lord can speak through what we see in daydreams and can reveal many different things we need to be paying close attention to in the moment.

~Dreams: (while awake or while soaking in His presence) At times we feel like we are dreaming though wide awake, when we see images on the screen of our imagination. These can be detailed, but often are a picture or quick image of a scene, place, or person. Some also call these a type of vision.

~Dreams: (Lucid) Lucid dreams are awesome. These are how we describe a dream when we feel like we were really THERE in the moment. We can see very clearly, interact with others and it almost feels the same as is felt in the natural. Our senses are engaged, experiencing aromas, tasting foods, touching things or people around us. These dreams can be often compared to “traveling” in the spirit. The Lord will show you the difference.

~Dreams: (passions planted by the Lord) There is another type of "dream" and these are the passions the Lord places deeply in our soul, which can often be connected to our calling. For example: The Lord placed a deep passion for countries and cultures of the world in me. He placed a desire for travel and a love for all people. There are many more, but this is one example of our deepest "dreams" that are always with us and ongoing.

~~~VISIONS (While awake)

~Flash Vision: A quick flash of a scene, person, word, or object (right in front of you, eyes closed)

~Open Vision: A bit longer with eyes open. An Open Vision can be described as similar to watching a short movie on an invisible screen.

~Vision (within a dream while sleeping): These visions are obvious to the dreamer. The dream will be moving along and all of a sudden sees something up close and clearly. In our spirit we recognize it as a vision within this dream. It is awesome. These dreams, with a vision inside, are often referred to as "experiences". But they can also be called a vision within a dream.

~Trance: (while awake) This is a state where time and space appears to stop. The Lord shows us something that can feel like a download into our spirit, or it can be a picture, similar to an open vision while we are feeling frozen, quite aware of the things around us as we are fixated on what we are experiencing. He can also speak to us in this state, audibly. This can also feel like what some call a "daydream" but much more intense.

~~~SEEING IN THE SPIRIT Realm (On the closed eyes black screen): We also "see" into the spirit realm while awake during the night. The Lord can wake us and we begin to see, having come out of a dream or He can take us into a dream, coming out of seeing in the spirit while awake. He shows us things right before us which confirm what He has just spoken to us through the dream's message at times. It is a beautiful transition into a conversation with Him about what we've just experienced. We often see glory glitter, numbers, hearts, the Lord, .....the list is endless. He is very good at communicating through the things He shows us in the spirit. Generally we understand these things immediately and it is a joyful, playful communication with Him.

~Seeing in the Spirit Realm as we are "caught up" in the spirit (On the closed eyes black screen): This feels different from the seeing I describe directly above. As we feel ourselves in the Lord's presence, we begin to see a scene before us and enter into what is happening. We speak to Jesus, often see Him as He is walking or interacting with people. We immediately ask Him where we are and He often reveals to us that we are in a certain place in the world. We see that others react to what we are saying and we can hear them speaking often to Jesus or to each other. It is a peek into the Spirit Realm. This can last from a few seconds to several minutes and can happen several times during the night. I have experienced doing ministry while in this state, laying hands on, walking with a crowd, encouraging others, blew the shofar, and so much more.

~Seeing in the Spirit Realm: (While awake/eyes open) We see into the Spirit Realm during the day while awake with eyes open as well. I often see the GLORY coming down like sparkling silver rain, I see the anointing on people, I see the movement of angels around us, I see Jesus, Father and the dove of the Holy Spirit. While in ministry situations, the Lord uses our spiritual vision to help minister to others. He has shown me where to place my hand in healing situations on my inner screen. I have seen a warrior

angel behind a person I was ministering to who was in fear and was able to speak God's protection over this person's life. The Lord can and does show us many things through our spiritual vision while we minister to others to encourage them and for His glory.

~Seeing on the Screen of our Imagination: (While awake) This type of seeing can occur anywhere. It can be while in communication with the Lord in worship, or prayer, or at a time when we least expect it. While going about our daily lives, interacting with another, the Lord can place something in our imagination that we discern quickly to send us a message. Often times, this type of seeing can be overlooked as "just my imagination", however it is one of the most powerful tools used by God to communicate. We learn to trust this by immediately asking Him to confirm.

As we draw near to the Lord in intimacy using the tools given to help us grow in our prophetic gifts, Jesus is right there beside us, leading us each step of the way. It's a wonderful journey as we simply place ourselves in His hands and allow Him to mold us, and shape us, becoming like hand in glove. I pray that we all step into the beautiful calling He has for each of us in the days ahead. His plan is GOOD.

God bless you as you enjoy all He has for you in the days ahead. If you are experiencing something you'd like to discuss with me further, or any of the leadership here, please message us and we are here to help you discern what the Lord may be saying and of course, direct you back to God as the best source, for confirmation.