



# THE PASTOR'S PEN

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## Can't You See?

I had a cousin whom we called "Sonny Boy." He was born and raised on a farm in Shelby County, Alabama. At the age of eighteen he was drafted into the Army and was sent overseas to England. There he met a young English girl, and as happened to so many of our men, they fell in love.

One day during the German Blitzkrieg a V2 rocket exploded near Sonny Boy. The concussion from the explosion caused him to become totally blind, and he was sent home. His English lady followed close behind, they were married and together on a little farm in Shelby County they raised four children.

Sonny raised chickens for a poultry company and he would take off his shoes to walk into the chicken house so that he could feel the chickens and not step on them and injure or kill them.

After thirty-five years he went to the Veteran's Hospital in Birmingham for an annual check-up and a doctor there said to him that because of some new procedures that maybe they could help him. Surgery followed, and for the first time in thirty-five years he was able to see his wife again. To her he said, "You are as beautiful as I remembered." To his children and grandchildren he said, "God is so very good to me." Together they lived another thirty years. A miracle had taken place, and for that miracle they were very, very thankful every day.

Because of their faith, they never lost their trust in God, and they never lost sight of God.

That's why God came down in the form of Jesus Christ. To be seen! That is why those who have seen him are never the same.

"We saw His glory" exclaimed one follower. "We were eyewitnesses of His majesty," whispered a martyr. They saw the peak. They breathed the fresh air of the high country." They caught a glimpse of the pinnacle. They refused to quit climbing until they reached the top. They wanted to see Jesus!

Christianity, in its purest form, is nothing more than seeing Jesus. Christian service, in its purest form, is nothing more than imitating Him whom we see. To see His majesty and imitate Him, that is the sum of Christianity.

Getting vision can be like that. Especially getting a vision of your Maker. New beginnings and good eyesight are inseparable. "Unless a man is born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God."

**Open your eyes - and see God!**  
**God Bless, Paul**