

Two Ways to Look at the Christian Life

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 (ESV) 16 So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. 17 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, 18 as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

Do You See What You Give Up or What God Is Up To?

1. Do You See the Obvious, Outward, Visible Liabilities?

What the world thinks Christians give up

a. The decay of our bodies – vs. 16

vss. 3, 10, 11

b. The suffering and the ridicule – vs 17

2 Cor 11:23-27

C The loss of worldly valuables – vs 18

2 Cor 4:3-4

2. Do You See the Glorious Hidden Blessings

What Christians can see that God is up to in our lives

a. The renewal of your Spiritual bring – vs. 16

Col 3:10

b. The reward for our sufferings – vs 17

Romans 8:18

c. We see OUR HOPE, sure and eternal, even though invisible now – vs.

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1 Peter 1:3-4

WHAT YOU SEE IS WHAT YOU'LL GET!