

- (5) And the key to this: when things don't go right, is to seek the presence of the Lord as in vs. 17. The secrets to the answers of life are in (with Him). The sanctuary of this verse is not the physical place or spot, but the place made sacred by His presence.
2. Our Message: When things don't go right--:the answers are found in the presence of God.
 - a. His goodness in the basis of life
 - b. His purposes are not always discernible on the surface.
 - c. He reveals to us His program partially
 - d. His program reassures us of the correctness of His will.
 - e. His will then strengthens us in the face of the things that are wrong.
 3. Some observations. On what grounds do we enter the sanctuary?
 - a. For our situation, the ground is the person of Christ and our access to the Father by Him. (See Hebrews 2, 7, and 4).
 - b. Certain attitudes are also helpful. Perhaps we cannot say "required" but certainly helpful and useful.
 - c. And of course, the recognition that we need help and are willing to seek it and receive same, is a very important step in coming "to the sanctuary".
 4. Some Practical Lessons:
 - a. Be willing to admit the frustrations freely, preferably privately to the Lord. To refuse to see them is to make you weaker, not stronger.
 - b. Prayerfully study in His Word to get all the facts and try to see fully what the teaching of the Lord is on a given issue.
 - c. Be careful not to overcommit yourself to positions and ideas that are not only incorrect but also may dishonor the Lord.
 - d. Above all, do not let the circumstance bewilder you completely. Let it drive you to Him and His help will be adequate to bring you through.
 5. Conclusions:

As mentioned at the very start of this section, we tend to see things in our own eyes and only as they affect us. This vision problem is correct "in the sanctuary."