



The Notes

INVISIBLE

Part 1: "Search Party"

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"The disciples came up and asked, 'Why do you tell stories?'

He replied, 'You've been given insight into God's kingdom. You know how it works. Not everybody has this gift, this insight; it hasn't been given to them. Whenever someone has a ready heart for this, the insights and understandings flow freely. But if there is no readiness, any trace of receptivity soon disappears. That's why I tell stories: to create readiness, to nudge the people toward a welcome awakening. In their present state they can stare till doomsday and not see it, listen till they're blue in the face and not get it. I don't want Isaiah's forecast repeated all over again:

'Your ears are open but you don't hear a thing. Your eyes are awake but you don't see a thing. The people are stupid! They stick their fingers in their ears so they won't have to listen; They screw their eyes shut so they won't have to look, so they won't have to deal with me face-to-face and let me heal them.'

But you have God-blessed eyes—eyes that see! And God-blessed ears—ears that hear!

A lot of people, prophets and humble believers among them, would have given anything to see what you are seeing, to hear what you are hearing, but never had the chance.”

Matthew 13:15-16 (MSG)

**TO DISCOVER AND EXPERIENCE
WHAT’S HIDDEN FROM ME, I NEED TO...**

1. ...CHANGE _____ I AM SEARCHING _____

“Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father, but are from this world. And this world is fading away, along with everything that people crave. But anyone who does what pleases God will live forever.”

1 John 2:15-17 (NLT)

2 ...CHANGE WHO I _____ MY SEARCH

“The Good News that we tell people may be hidden, but it is hidden only to those who are lost.

The ruler of this world has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They cannot see the light of the Good News—the message about the divine greatness of Christ. Christ is the one who is exactly like God.”

2 Corinthians 4:3-4 (ERV)

“Stay away from the Pharisees. They lead the people, but they are like blind men leading other blind men. And if a blind man leads another blind man, both of them will fall into a ditch.”

Matthew 15:14 (ERV)

3. ...CHANGE MY SEARCH _____

“People who do not have God’s Spirit do not accept the things that come from his Spirit. They think these things are foolish. They cannot understand them, because they can only be understood with the Spirit’s help.”

1 Corinthians 2:14 (ERV)

“If you love me, show it by doing what I’ve told you. I will talk to the Father, and he’ll provide you another Friend so that you will always have someone with you. This Friend is the Spirit of Truth. The godless world can’t take him in because it doesn’t have eyes to see him, doesn’t know what to look for.”

But you know him already because he has been staying with you, and will even be in you!”

John 14:15-17 (MSG)

“Without faith no one can please God. Anyone who comes to God must believe that he is real and that he rewards those who truly want to find him.”

Hebrews 11:6 (NCV)