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“We tend by a secret law of the soul to move toward our mental image of God. This is true not only of the individual Christian,



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but of the company
of Christians that
composes the Church.
Always the most
revealing thing about
the Church is her
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“How God thinks of us is not only more important, but infinitely more important. Indeed, how we think of Him is of no importance except in so far as it is related to how He thinks of us

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TURN WITH US TO PSALM 123

(Page 517 in the Bible under your
seat or page 47 in your journal)



Phone? *Please silence.*
Social media? *Post away!*



PSALM 123

Our Eyes Look to the Lord Our God
A Song of Ascents.

¹To you I lift up my eyes,
O you who are enthroned in
the heavens!

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PSALM 123

2 Behold, as the eyes of servants
look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maidservant
to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the Lord our God,
till he has mercy upon us.

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PSALM 123

3 Have mercy upon us, O Lord,
have mercy upon us,
for we have had more than
enough of contempt.

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PSALM 123

4 Our soul has had more than enough
of the scorn of those
who are at ease,
of the contempt of the proud.

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PSALM 123:2A

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Are we willing to
lay down our lives,
our wills, our desires
to the King of Kings?



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The freest person
on earth is the
person totally
surrendered
to God.



GALATIANS 5:1

**For freedom Christ has set us free;
stand firm therefore, and do not
submit again to a yoke of slavery.**



GALATIANS 5:13

For you were called to freedom,
brothers. Only do not use your
freedom as an opportunity
for the flesh...



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MERCY

/ mûr-sē / (noun)

from Hebrew שָׁנַן (chanenu)

FROM THE WORD MEANING
TO BEND DOWN AND
STOOP TO AN INFERIOR



PSALM 8:4

What is man that you are mindful
of him, and the son of man
that you care for him?

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