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Fanny Crosby

1820-1915

Wrote over 9,000 hymns

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Matthew 11:20-21

20 Then Jesus began to denounce the towns in which most of his miracles had been performed, because they did not repent. **21** “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

Spiritual blindness

- **living without a relationship with God because of unbelief.**

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴ The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

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Spiritual Sight

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So it is written: “The first man Adam became a living being; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. (1 Cor. 15:45)

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1 Corinthians 2:14

The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit.

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**Having spiritual sight is
seeing Jesus clearly**



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“Do you know that if at birth I had been able to make one petition, it would have been that I was born blind? Because when I get to heaven, the first face that shall ever gladden my sight will be that of my Savior.”

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