

WORD 2022

Fathers

Atmosphere – Awareness - Anticipation

Mothers

Investment – Involvement - Interaction

Look Around!

You

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- **John 4:34-35** Jesus said, "The food that keeps me going is that I do the will of the One who sent me, finishing the work he started. 35 **As you look around right now**, wouldn't you say that in about four months it will be time to harvest? Well, I'm telling you to open your eyes and take a good look at what's right in front of you. These Samaritan fields are ripe. It's harvest time! The Message
- Attention - (Dictionary.com)
 - observant care; consideration:
- Attentive - (Dictionary.com)
 - thoughtful of others; considerate; polite; courteous:

I. What is God Doing???

- **Deuteronomy 10:12-13** So now Israel, what do you think God expects from you? Just this: Live in his presence in holy reverence, follow the road he sets out for you, love him, serve God, your God, with everything you have in you, 13 obey the commandments and regulations of God that I'm commanding you today — live a good life.
- **Deuteronomy 10:14-18** **Look around you: Everything you see is God's — the heavens above and beyond, the Earth, and everything on it.** 15 But it was your ancestors that God fell in love with; he picked their children — that's you! — out of all the other peoples. That's where we are right now. 16 So cut away the thick calluses from your heart and stop being so willfully hardheaded. 17 God, your God, is the God of all gods, he's the Master of all masters, a God immense and powerful and awesome. He doesn't play favorites, takes no bribes, 18 makes sure orphans and widows are treated fairly, takes loving care of foreigners by seeing that they get food and clothing. **The MESSAGE**
- **Isaiah 40:26** **Look at the night skies:** Who do you think made all this? Who marches this army of stars out each night, counts them off, calls each by name — so magnificent! so powerful! — and never overlooks a single one? **THE MESSAGE**
- **God wants us to be awed by Him – We have to be looking**

I Saw – God said

- **Jeremiah 1:11-13** Then the Lord said to me, "**Look, Jeremiah!** What do you see?" And I replied, "I see a branch from an almond tree." 12 And the Lord said, "That's right, and it means that I am watching, and I will certainly carry out all my plans." 13 Then the Lord spoke to me again and asked, "**What do you see now?**" NLT
- God wants us to look so he can speak!

Jesus often told his disciples, listeners, scribes, and Pharisees to “LOOK”!

- It was about having the right perspective:
- Matthew 6:25-34
- Matthew 10:16-29
- John 4:35-36
- John 7:21-24
 - **24 Look beneath the surface so you can judge correctly.**" NLT

Don't be fooled or deceived!

- This admonition, warning is found in Matthew, Mark 13:21 and Luke 17:23
- Matthew 24:23-28
 - **25 See, I have warned you about this ahead of time.**

Message and Purpose of Revelation:

- Revelation 1:5-8
- Revelation 1:18
- Revelation 3:20-22
- Revelation 16:15
- Revelation 22:7
- Revelation 22:12-13

2. Look Around – Who is missing?

- I Samuel 20:25-27
- Who is missing from our fellowship?
- Who is missing?
 - Praying for those you know who need Christ!
 - Pray for the prodigals?

3. Look Around – What needs to be done?

- In your home, what needs to be done?
- At your work, what needs to be done?
- At our church, what needs to be done?

4. Look around - Who can we share or show the grace of God?

- Grace Bomb
 - Step 1 – LOAD – get or make your cards
 - Step 2 – Look and Listen – Prayerfully LOOK and LISTEN for opportunities in your everyday life.
 - Step 3 – Let 'er go – Experience the joy of putting Jesus words to love your neighbor as yourself into action

5. Look to God

- **Psalms 121:1-4** I look up to the mountains; does my strength come from mountains? 2 No, my strength comes from God, who made heaven, and earth, and mountains. 3 He won't let you stumble, your Guardian God won't fall asleep. 4 Not on your life! Israel's Guardian will never doze or sleep. The Message

