

Three Signs that your selfperception has a blind spot:

1. You don't <u>listen to advice</u> from others.

## Proverbs 12:15

The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but a wise man listens to advice.



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2. You justify your actions with appearances.

# Proverbs 21:2

Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, but the Lord weighs the heart.



The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him.

And he said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

"The Law and the Prophets were until John; since then the good news of the kingdom of God is preached, and everyone forces his way into it.

But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one dot of the Law to become void.



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3. Your life isn't changing.

## Proverbs 26:12

Do you see a man who is wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than him.



The area of your life that you least want to open up to investigation, is the one where you need it most.



As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples.

And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.

Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."



"The Gospel means we can stop lying to ourselves. The sweet sound of amazing grace saves us from the necessity of self-deception.

It keeps us from denying that though Christ was victorious, the battle with lust, greed, and pride still rages within us.

As a sinner who has been redeemed, I can acknowledge that I am often unloving, irritable, angry and resentful with those closest to me.

When I go to church I can leave my white hat at home and admit I have failed. God not only loves me as I am, but also knows me as I am.

Because of this I don't need to apply spiritual cosmetics to make myself presentable to him. I can accept ownership and powerlessness and neediness."

C.S. Lewis



If we are more opposed to the doctor than the disease, then we will never get well.

