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Parable of the Blind Leading the Blind

c1568; Bruegel, Pieter, ca. 1525-1569

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ENTERING THE SCENE:

We are living in times where it is becoming vitally important to recognize our blind spots. There is hardly any issue today that does not reveal that we have fallen into 'ditches' because we are following people or ideas that have become 'logs' in our eyes.

In books like [Winners Take All](#) we are identifying the hypocrisy of preaching the prosperity gospel that leaves others to lives of poverty and despair. Now the fruit of our lives will reveal who is truly our master.

Lk. 6:39-45

39⁹ He also told them a **parable**: "Can a **blind person** guide a **blind person**? Will not both **fall** into a **pit**? 40 A **disciple** is not above the **teacher**, but everyone who is **fully qualified** will be like the **teacher**. 41 Why do you see the **speck** in your neighbor's **eye**, but do not notice the **log** in your own eye? 42 Or how can you say to your **neighbor**, 'Friend, let me take out the **speck** in your **eye**,' when you yourself do not see the **log** in your own **eye**? You **hypocrite**, first take the **log** out of your own **eye**, and then you will **see clearly** to take the **speck** out of your **neighbor's eye**. 43 "No **good tree** bears **bad fruit**, nor again does a **bad tree** bear **good fruit**; 44 for each tree is **known** by its own fruit. **Figs** are not gathered from **thorns**, nor are **grapes** picked from a **bramble bush**. 45 The good person out of the **good treasure** of the **heart** produces good, and the **evil person** out of **evil treasure** produces evil; for it is out of the abundance of the **heart** that the mouth **speaks**."

DISCUSSION QUESTION: Jesus uses this parable to help us see clearly so as to see as God sees. How does taking this teaching to heart help me to see as God sees?

PRAYER: Teacher Jesus. The only reason to share my humanity was to help me see as God sees. My 'world' thinks it knows better than you do and tries to convince me that their god is God. But the world can only give me what it has and you invite me to treasure its gifts, but to realize that God's reality is not bound by its space time limits. When I listen to you those limits drop away and my heart recognizes your truth. Help me to trust that my heart will lead me to choose the unlimited love of God. Amen.