

Mirror, Mirror, on the Wall, Stop Laughing

By Dr. James L. Snyder

As old as I am, and I expect to get as old as possible, I have noticed that I see things differently than I did a few years ago. I'm not sure if my vision has changed or my perspective. But one thing is certain; something has changed.

One of the most aggravating things in my life is the mirror in my bathroom.

The other morning it dawned on me. I walked into the bathroom, glanced at my mirror, and laughed. At first, I did not know what I was laughing at until I re-examined my mirror.

There this person was, hair going in every direction, at least the hair that was left, and wrinkles all over the face to such an extent I could not recognize the face. So I just busted out laughing for all I was worth.

The more I looked at the image in the mirror, the more I began to see something

familiar. Then, all at once, I gasped and said, "Oh, my goodness. That's me!"

When that dawned on me, I realized that either the mirror was crazy or I was.

Looking at the reflection in the mirror, I said to myself that nobody, I mean nobody, could look that crazy even in the morning after a night of dreaming nightmares.

I know some people believe that the mirror is very truthful in its reflection. So what you see in that mirror is what is absolutely true.

Thinking about this, I thought it might be good to put some blinds on my bathroom mirror only to use it when I want to use it. Who knows what that bathroom mirror is seeing all day long. So how do I know that that mirror has not crossed the line somewhere into crazyville?

The thing that I thought about the other day was, is the reflection I see in that mirror what other people see when I'm on the outside? I certainly hope not.

The other morning the wife went shopping, so I thought I would try an experiment. I would go into my bathroom, look in my mirror, and then go into her bathroom and look in her mirror to see any difference.

Imagine my disappointment when my wife's mirror reflected the same image that my bathroom mirror did. I think those two mirrors are in cahoots with one another, and this reflection proves it.

Another thought was to take a picture of me when I was young and have it blown up to the size of the mirror and put it on my mirror. Then, every morning, when I looked into the mirror, I would see a very young version of myself.

I've been thinking of many ways to trick my mirror into getting a better image of myself when I get up in the morning. So far, nothing has worked, and I still have that old man in the mirror looking back at me laughing.

I couldn't help but think of a verse of Scripture, "Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!" (Isaiah 5:21).

Sometimes my sight is wrong and what I'm seeing is not reality. I discovered that God leads me down a path I'm unfamiliar with, and I can't see the next step; I cannot judge how I'm going by my sight. I simply need to trust God.

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Celebrate Recovery

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