

Our Eagle-Like God

“The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and His ears are open unto their cry.” (Psalm 34:15).

After the mother golden eagle has incubated her eggs (usually one or two) for approximately thirty days, and the little eaglets have hatched out of the shell, she plans a little time for herself. At first, she only goes to the edge of the cliff to enjoy the breeze blowing through her wings. But having been on the nest for the last month, it doesn't take her long to catch a strong current with her gigantic wings and soar out.

She doesn't usually fly too high or go too far way, but at least she's out of the house. She may fly across the ravine and light on another cliff, or on an old dead tree. While enjoying her time, however, she remains close enough to watch her little ones with her binocular-like vision. If they cry out, or if there is any disturbance in the nest, she can hear them with her ultra-sensitive ears.

In this great Old Testament setting, David's description of God reminds us of a mother eagle. Admittedly, he doesn't say anything about an eagle. But he does mention how the Lord is genuinely concerned about His children. Not only are His eyes zeroed in on each one of His own, but His ears are also attentive to each one's cries. Our thoughts are turned, then, toward our eagle-like God and His care for His eagle-like children.

Our eagle-like God dearly loves all His righteous ones! The words, “The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous,” indicate that believers are the objects of His affection. Certainly, “The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good” (Prov. 15:3). Therefore, He sees the unrighteous as well as the righteous. Yet, like a mother eagle who is specifically interested in her little ones, our God has a particular affection for His people.

Our eagle-like God clearly looks upon His righteous ones! There are many other wonderful statements in the Bible describing God's relationship with His children. But here we are confronted with the fact that He has “eyes” for the saints. Distance is no issue in this matter. Although we may feel distant from Him, He does not feel distant from us. Difficult situations do not hinder His view. His perception is perfect; His focus is clear.

Our eagle-like God sincerely listens to His righteous ones! “His ears are open unto their cries.” He not only has “eyes” for His people, but He has “ears” for them, as well. While He is aware of all that is said by all, and misses absolutely nothing, He especially tunes in to His children. He has a heart for the cries of our hearts. He is the God Who hears and answers our prayers. Oh, dear friend, may you sense His great love for and pure interest in you today.