

Being one-eyed! Part 2

At age five, due to an accident, I lost sight in one eye and the eye was surgically removed.

This happened in the early 1930s, in the great depression, when money was very scarce and I needed an artificial eye. My parents could hardly afford the expense if this involved taking me interstate. But God wonderfully met my need. At that time Australia's only artificial eye maker was based right here where we lived – in Adelaide!

Despite my limited eyesight, I chose (in the late 1950s) to do full time theological studies.

This meant three years of extensive reading, daily note taking at lectures, intensive research, and (in my third and final college year) preparation of two sermons per week.

God wonderfully preserved my eyesight back then, and also for the last 33 years while writing this weekly column.

I have seen what he can do in bypassing human frailties to bring about his purposes. Though I am continually amazed by this, I shouldn't be. Why not? Because “with God all things are possible.” Matthew 19.26. He is the great Creator. “Is anything too hard for the Lord?” Genesis 18.14.

How privileged we are when used by him in some small way.

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“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” Philippians 4.13.

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