## THE UNKOWN PLANK OF BLIND SPOTS

## MATTHEW 7:3-5; LUKE 8:22-25

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**Blind Spot:** Being unaware of what you cannot see. The cause is "the unknown plank."

1. <u>Admit</u> there is a plank.

Jeremiah 17:9; 1 John 1:8

Look at the diagram below from about two feet away, with your right eye closed. Focus on the "+" with your left eye and slowly move the image closer. At one point, you'll see the dot becomes invisible. This shows the blind spot in your retina.



Social Narrative: The story that shapes your view of the world.

Racial Blind Spots: Being unaware of being racially offensive while being offensive. *Jeremiah 17:9* 

Our social narrative fills in our racial blind spots.

2. <u>Understand</u> the nature of the plank.

Ask God and a friend. Psalm 139:23-24; Proverbs 27:17

3. The <u>removal</u> of, not the protection of the plank, nutures unity. *Luke 8:22-25* 

Take the implicit bias test here: sdrock.com/implicitbiastest

## Asking Jesus into your life is as easy as A-B-C

**Gospel A-B-C's** // Father, I Admit that I am a sinner and that my sin has brought death and destruction into my life, my relationships with people, and my relationship with God. *Romans 3:23, 6:23* 

I Believe that Jesus died for my sins and that His death paid the penalty for my sins. Romans 5:8

I Confess or agree that Jesus is Lord, that He died and rose from the dead, and is able to forgive me of my sins. *Romans 10:9-10* 

Jesus, I trust that You love me and can hear my prayer. By faith, I ask You to please forgive me and fill me with the Holy Spirit. I surrender my life to You. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

If you understood that prayer and prayed to accept Jesus' invitation into a relationship, text "SAVED" to 52525.