

### The Power WithEN: Envisible

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I've talked to nearly 30,000 people on this show, and all 30,000 had one thing in common: They all wanted validation. They all want to know: "Did you see me? Did what I say mean anything to you?"

Feeling seen by others is a basic human need. Not being seen is equivalent to being sentenced to death.

**Psychology Today** 

When our society confers huge amounts of recognition on those with beauty, wealth, skill, education, millions of everyday people can feel invisible, unrecognized, and left out.

- David Brooks

Slapping a label on someone is a great way to render them invisible.

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Human beings need recognition as much as they need food and water. No crueler punishment can be devised than to *not see someone*, *to render them unimportant or invisible*.

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His eyes are on the ways of men; he sees their every step.

Job 34:21

From heaven the LORD looks down and sees all mankind; from his dwelling place *he watches all who live on earth*.

Psalm 33:13-14

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him *Immanuel*"—which means, "*God with us*."

Matthew 1:23

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. The *Word became flesh* and *made his dwelling among us*.

John 1:1-2

That which was from the beginning, which we have *heard*, which we have *seen* with our eyes, which we have *looked at* and our hands have *touched*—this we proclaim concerning the *Word* of life.

1 John 1:1

1500: The number of people we can name and recognize.

"To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One. Lift

your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out

the starry host one by one, and CALLS THEM EACH BY NAME. Because of his

great power and mighty strength, NOT ONE OF THEM IS MISSING.

Isaiah 40:25-26

5: Our best friends and closest support group.

Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose

her to public disgrace, HE HAD IN MIND to divorce her quietly.

Matthew 1:19

"Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because

what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit."

Matthew 1:20

Beer Lahai Roi

"You are the God who sees me," for she said, "I have now seen the One who sees

*me*." That is why the well was called Beer Lahai Roi.

Genesis 16:13-14

You created my inmost being.

Psalm 139:13

"She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because

he will save his people from their sins."

Matthew 1:21

If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be *with me* that you also *may be where I am*.

# John 14:3

Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have *summoned you by name*; *you are mine*.

#### Isaiah 43:1

He calls his own sheep by name ...

# John 10:3

...all whose *names* ... written in the *book of life* belonging to the Lamb ...

### **Revelation 13:8**