



Well, there is nothing like a walk down Times Square to get the blood to pumping. It is about 10 o'clock and the streets are packed with people just like me. Well, perhaps they are a little more normal than I am, but anyway, there is a large crowd. The street is lined with street vendors or all sorts. Some are selling \$10,000 watches for the amazingly low price of only \$200, others are trying to interest you with guided tours through New York, and still others are trying to sing their way into your heart and your pocketbook. You can purchase \$500 purses for \$50 or photographs of the Twin Towers at every corner.

But my favorite vendors are the artist; who with nothing more than an easel and some charcoal create something truly unforgettable. Some were amazingly talented like the one shown here in this photo, who worked so quickly and skillfully I was overwhelmed. (While I am on the subject of beauty, look carefully at the billboards, I could not help but place myself in 3 of them and add the text to his painting.)

Beauty; we all know it when we see it. They say that, "Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder"; and I guess it is. So, what do you find beautiful? What do you spend your time searching for? Thoreau said that, "The perception of beauty is a moral test". Some need an expensive price tag before considering anything beautiful. What you find attractive says a lot about you. Where you go to seek beauty, also says a lot about a person. Some people could never find anything of beauty in a busy place like NYC; others would be bored out of their minds in Flat Rock, Alabama.

I believe we can find something of beauty and of value anywhere and everywhere we are, if we want to find it. Everything has its beauty, but not everyone sees it or seeks for it. Once again I say that, "The world is full of untold splendor for him who has the eyes to see them." Today, look for the good that surrounds you. We are so richly blessed to live and work where we do; we eat like kings compared too much of the world, yet how much we complain. We have cars, fine clothing, homes, family, friends, and a heavenly father who loves us and I bet He even carries your picture in his wallet. Look around you right now, can you find anything to be thankful for? If so, what are you waiting for? Appreciate it, love it, be thankful for it and then share it with someone today.

**Something to think about:**

- We see things not as they are, but as we are.
- If you love the good that you see in another, make it your own.
- Blessed are those who see the hand of God in the haphazard, inexplicable, and seemingly senseless circumstances of life.
- Nothing happens that is not significant if you can only see the significance.
- To be blind is bad, but worse is it to have eyes and not to see.
- To marry a woman for her beauty is like buying a house for its paint.
- Eyes that look are common, eyes that see are rare.

Looking for you  
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