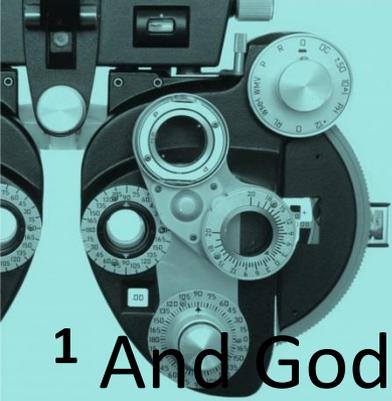


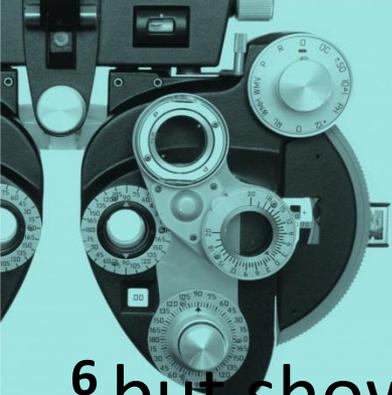
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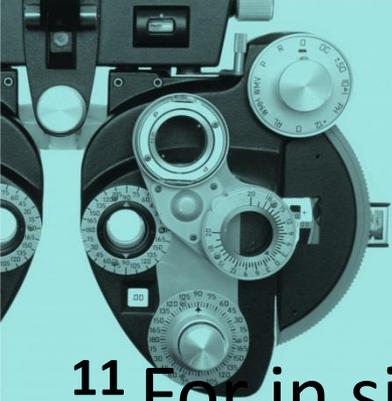
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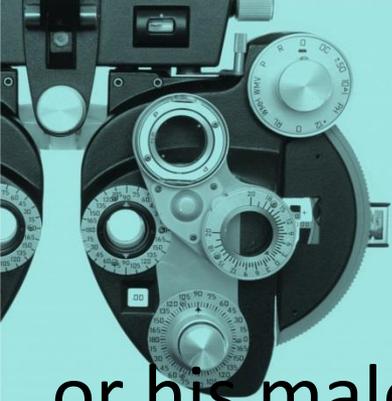
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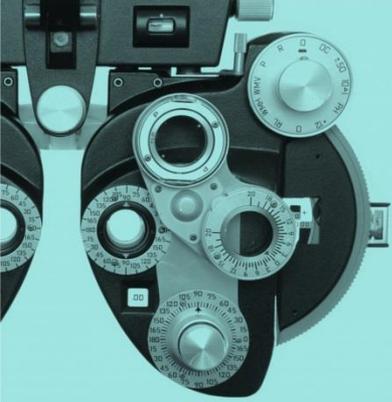
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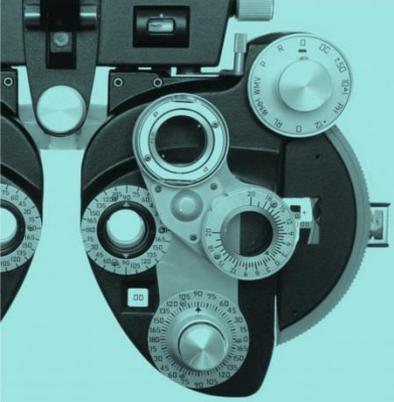


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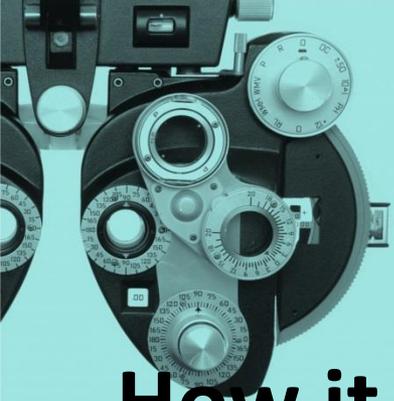
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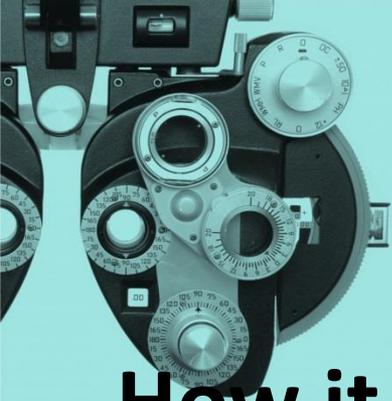


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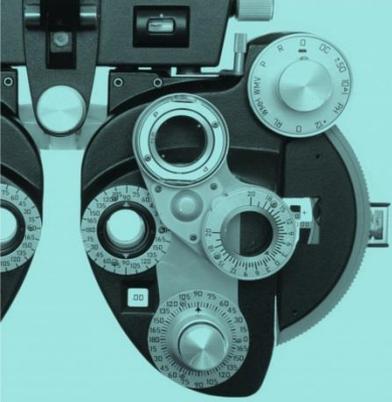
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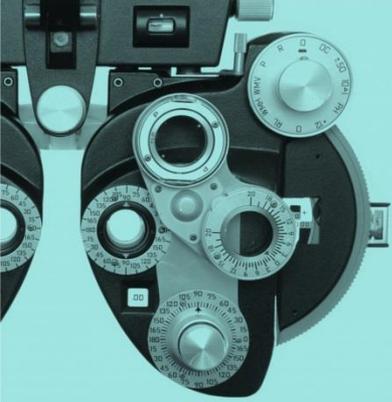
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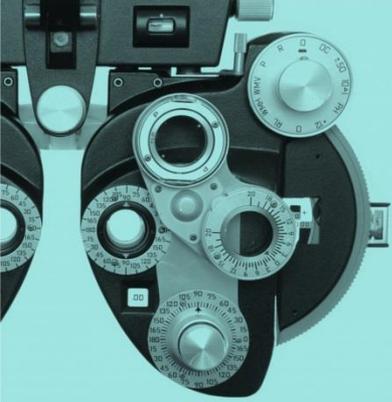
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<sup>13</sup> For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup> For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.



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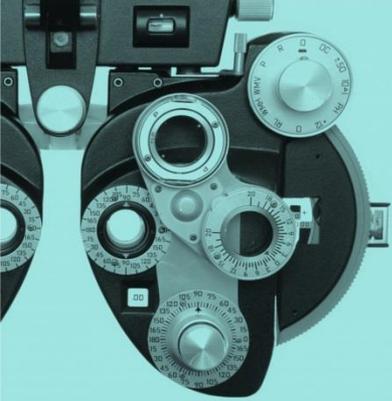
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<sup>24</sup> When Moses had finished writing the words of this law in a book to the very end, <sup>25</sup> Moses commanded the Levites who carried the ark of the covenant of the LORD, <sup>26</sup> “Take this Book of the Law and put it by the side of the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, that it may be there for a **witness against you**. <sup>27</sup> For I know how rebellious and stubborn you are. Behold, even today while I am yet alive with you, you have been rebellious against the LORD. How much more after my death!



## Galatians 3:10-12

<sup>10</sup> For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, “Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them.” <sup>11</sup> Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for “The righteous shall live by faith.” <sup>12</sup> But the law is not of faith, rather “The one who does them shall live by them.”



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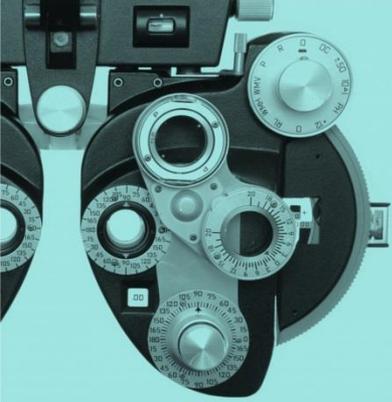
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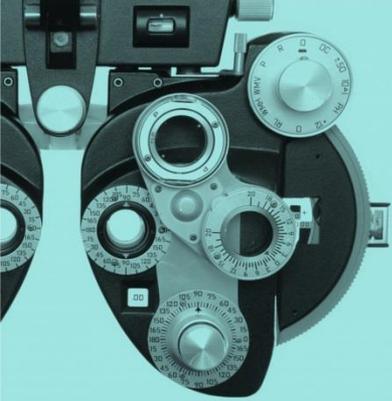


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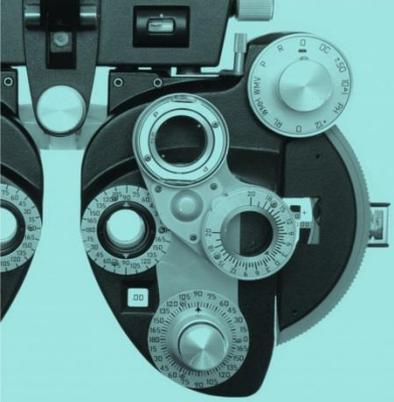
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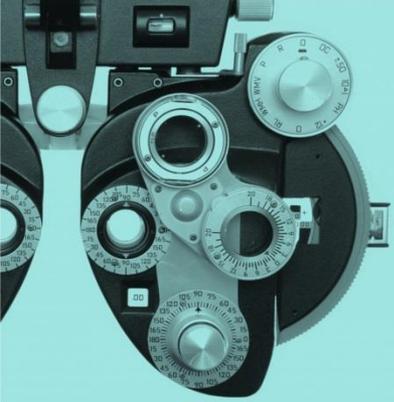


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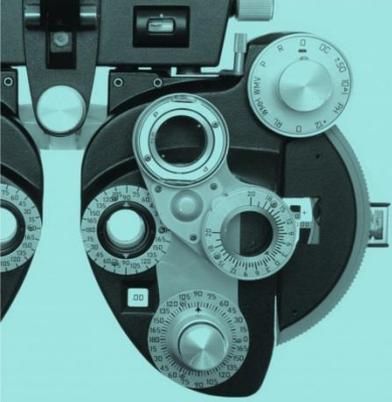


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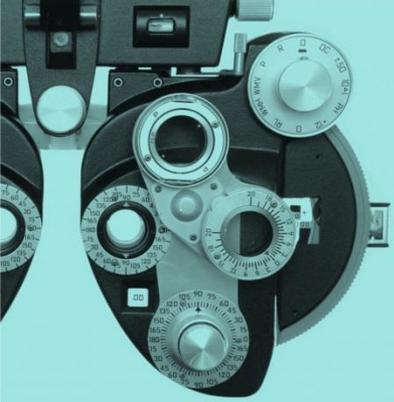
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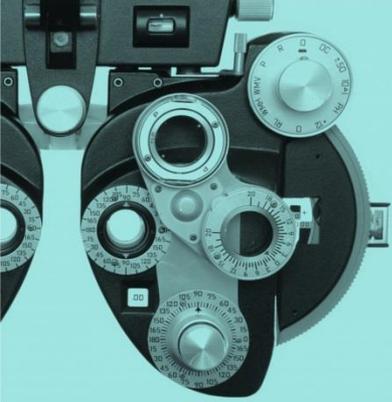
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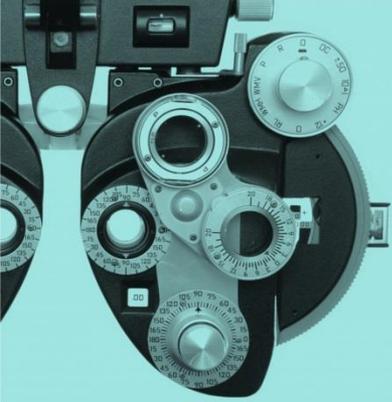
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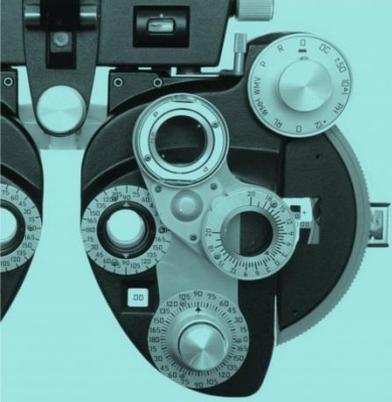
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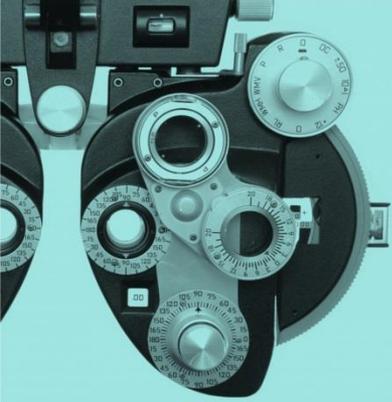
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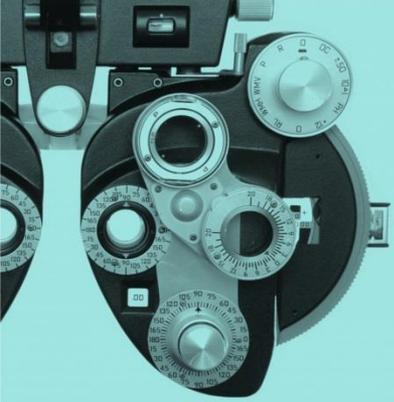
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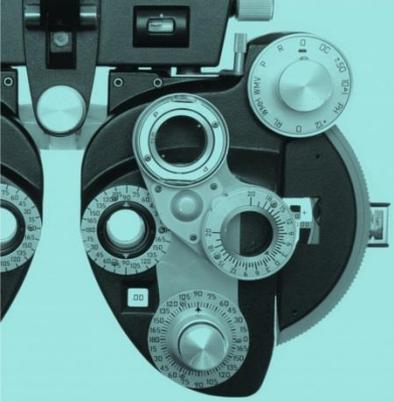


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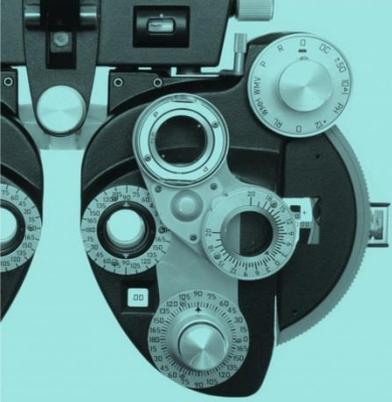


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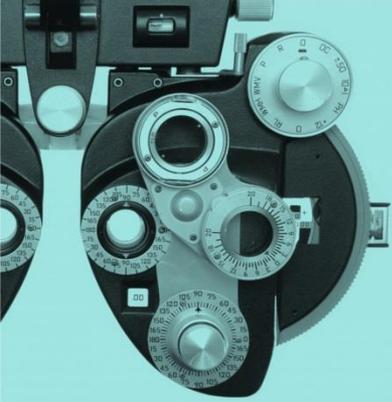
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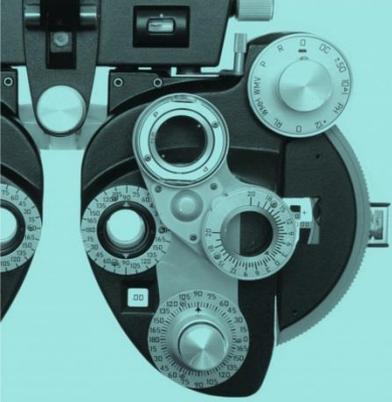
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