

Can You See the Forest for the Trees?



Did you know that there is a direct correlation between how far you can see and the opportunities that come your way? I recently visited a home perched on a hillside in California, surrounded by tall trees. Whether on the deck or in a bedroom, the effect was like living in a tree house even though there was a spectacular view on the other side of the trees. As it turned out, the homeowner was experiencing some financial and career challenges. She had spread herself too thin by taking on several jobs, which squeezed out what she really wanted to do. It was a classic case of not seeing the forest for the trees.

The homeowner loved trees and was reluctant to cut down one or two to open up her vista. But when she came to understand that the trees were actually blocking chi (life-giving energy)--and opportunities-- from flowing into her life, she compromised by agreeing to cut out a swathe to open up her view.



What about your view? If you're working in an office without a view, display a photo or picture with a view far into the distance to broaden your world. You may notice that you're becoming clear about questions you've been pondering or that new opportunities are presenting themselves. Perhaps they've been there all along and you just didn't see them.