

DIGGING DEEPER

John 9:1-41

This week we focused on the sixth sign of Jesus in John's Gospel. Before you begin, pause together and invite the Holy Spirit to guide your conversation, and that God's Word would speak directly into your life.

OPTIONAL ICEBREAKER: Share a time when you were *completely sure* about something... and later realized you were wrong. How did you respond?

READ THE PASSAGE TOGETHER: John 9:1-41

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Don't feel pressure to get through every question! Follow where the Spirit leads and spend your time on the questions that spark meaningful discussion.

1. What stands out to you most in this story?
2. Compare the responses of the various characters in this passage (disciples, neighbors, Pharisees, parents, healed man). What differences do you notice?
3. How is this story a picture of the Gospel?
4. The disciples assume suffering must be tied to sin. Where do we see versions of that mindset today?
5. Jesus shifts from **cause** to **purpose**. How does that change how we can view hardships?
6. The man obeys Jesus **before** he can see. Where is it hard for you to trust Jesus without full clarity?
7. The Pharisees, who "**know**" the most, are unable to see. What's the danger of being confident you're right spiritually?
8. The man is almost unrecognizable after being healed. How is real transformation different from self-improvement?

HEART CHECK QUESTIONS: Invite the group to reflect quietly, and share if comfortable:

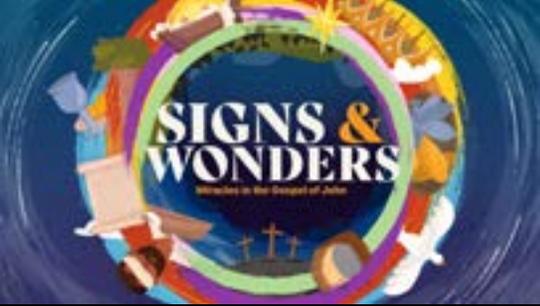
- Where are my blind spots right now?
- Where has pride kept me from repentance?
- Who have I stopped seeing the way Jesus sees them?
- Where have I prioritized comfort over obedience?
- Am I open to Jesus correcting me?

GROUP PRAYER TIME: Share requests and pray for one another.

MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE

Fair Oaks Church Sermon Podcast (Apple Podcasts & Spotify) to listen to just the message. Check out **Cutting Room Floor** episodes that further unpack sermons and stories of transformation.





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UPCOMING EVENTS [Learn more at fairoaks.church/events](https://fairoaks.church/events)

- **3/27: Young Adults Game Night** | Dinner Provided | 7-9p | FLC
- **4/2: WFO Women's Brunch** | 9:30-11:30a | FLC, AMC | Speaker: Carole Brewer
- **4/10: Sisterhood Women's Gathering** | 6:30-8p
- **4/10: Food Distribution at FO/OV Food Bank** | 9a-12:30p | Sign up to help
- **4/12: Food Drive** | Bring donations to drop off spot in lobby
- **4/25: Missions Dinner & Auction Fundraiser** | Tickets available online (in person starting 4/12)
Now collecting NEW items & gifts cards until 4/10

HOLY WEEK 2026 [Learn more at fairoaks.church/easter](https://fairoaks.church/easter)

- **Palm Sunday:** Services at 9a & 10:30a | Breakfast in FLC from 9:30-10:30a | Kids Program at 10:30a
Volunteers Needed, sign up online
- **Good Friday:** Service at 6:30p | Worship Center
Childcare available & Kids Program for 1st-5th grade
- **Easter Sunday:** Services at 9a & 10:30a | Childcare at 9a (under 3),
Kids Program at 10:30a (babies-5th) | Sign up to help us host!

