



FROM THE BIBLE
John 9:1-12 (NIV)

MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE

Week 6 | Healing of the Man Born Blind

1. **Discuss** the assumption of the disciples in **John 9:2** that sin caused all sickness.

John 9:2

2 His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?”

Review and discuss the quote below that summarizes what they believed.

They’ve believing that “Behind every **Bad Thing** is a **Bad Deed**.”

2. Although generally all suffering is tied to original sin in the Garden of Eden, specific sickness and suffering is not tied to an act of sin. **Discuss** Jesus’ response to the disciples’ question and the statement below.

John 9:3

3 “Neither this man nor his parents sinned,” said Jesus, “but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him.

There is not always a **specific cause** and **effect relationship** between sin and **sickness**.

3. The disciples were guilty of believing something that the majority believed. **Why** is believing something just because a lot of people believe it to be faulty logic?

Something **that is false** can never be true **regardless of how many people believe it to be true**

4. One of the reasons that we tend to believe what everyone else believes is that we are more comfortable with blending in rather than standing out. **Discuss** the principle below:

Conformity is very **comfortable** and **non-conformity** is very **uncomfortable**



FROM THE BIBLE

John 9:1-12 (NIV)

5. If we can't articulate why we believe something we may simply believe what we believe because we are following the ideas of others around us. **How** does Luke demonstrate integrity by doing his own research?

Luke 1:1-4

1 Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us, 2 just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word. 3 With this in mind, since **I myself have carefully investigated everything** from the beginning, I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, 4 **so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.** NIV

6. Noah was courageous in standing alone and although he was in the minority he was right and the majority was wrong. **How** many ultimately were saved when the whole world was lost?

2 Peter 2:5

5 if he did not spare the ancient world when he brought the flood on its ungodly people, **but protected Noah, a preacher of righteousness, and seven others;** NIV