



Teen Church at RFBC!
October 6th, 2025

Call to Worship

Leader: Today, we gather in the presence of a God who sees us — even when we feel invisible. We come before the One who can bring sight to the blind.

Congregation: We come with questions. We come with hope. We come with faith.

Leader: Just like the blind man, we may not always understand what Jesus is doing.

Sometimes He uses things that seem messy and uncomfortable. But even in the mess, He's making a miracle.

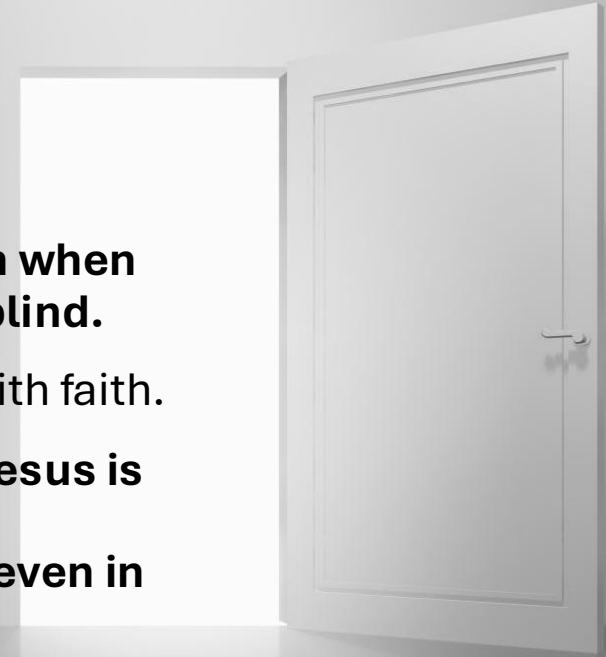
Congregation: We trust You, Jesus — even when it doesn't make sense.

Leader: We ask You to give us the kind of faith that walks before it sees, that keeps going when life is confusing.

Congregation: Lord, open our eyes. Make us ready to move when You say go.

Leader: Let's worship the God who makes the blind see,

All: Who turns our obedience into breakthrough, and who is always working — even when we can't yet see the result. Amen.



The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in Heaven

Hallowed be thy name.

Thy Kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

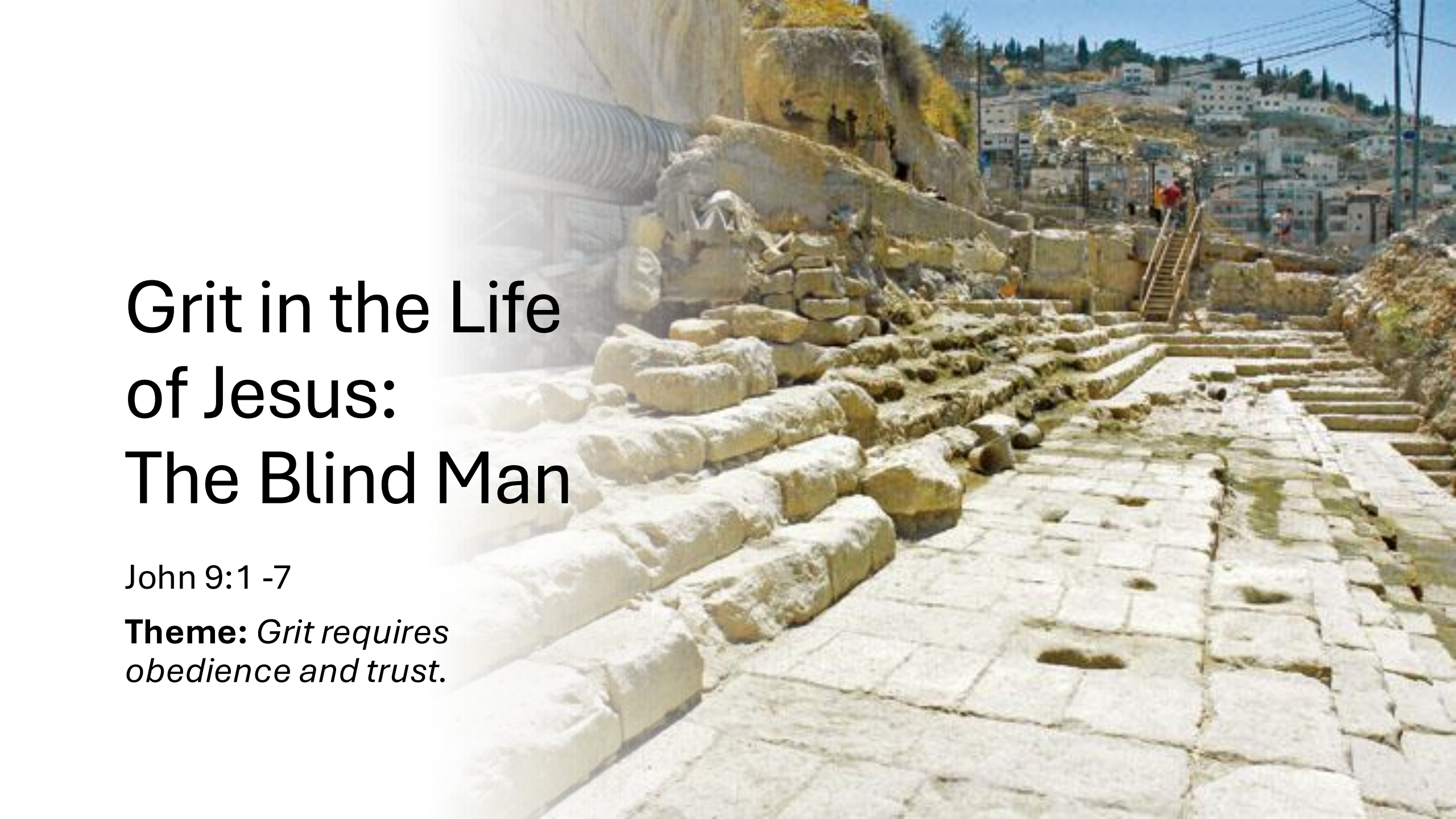
Amen.



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Grit in the Life of Jesus: The Blind Man

John 9:1 -7

Theme: *Grit requires
obedience and trust.*



Anchor Verse Galatians 6:9

CEV: ⁹ Don't get tired of helping others. You will be rewarded when the time is right, if you don't give up.

NIV: ⁹ Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.



Today's Focus

Grit means trusting and obeying Jesus—even when we can't see and don't understand what he is doing.

Today's Scripture: John 9: 1-7 CEV

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man who had been blind since birth.

² Jesus' disciples asked, "Teacher, why was this man born blind? Was it because he or his parents sinned?"

³ "No, it wasn't!" Jesus answered. "But because of his blindness, you will see God work a miracle for him.

⁴ As long as it is day, we must do what the one who sent me wants me to do. When night comes, no one can work.

⁵ While I am in the world, I am the light for the world."

Today's Scripture: John 9: 1-7 CEV

⁶ After Jesus said this, he spit on the ground. He made some mud and smeared it on the man's eyes.

⁷ Then he said, "Go wash off the mud in Siloam Pool." The man went and washed in Siloam, which means "One Who Is Sent." When he had washed off the mud, he could see.

Historical and Cultural Context

- In first century Jewish culture, blindness was seen as punishment for sin. (v 2)
- People with disabilities were often considered outcasts.
- Pools like Siloam were located outside the temple area.
- Jesus used spit and mud—considered dirty and offensive.

Key Words: Siloam & Anointed

- *Siloam* = (Hebrew *Shiloach*; from the verb *shalah* שלח) means “*Sent*”
 - Jesus was sending this man on a public journey of vulnerability and obedience. But he was doing so *while the man was still blind*.
 - Jesus *sent* the man out even before healing him. Obedience came first.
- Anointed = can mean a couple of different things.
 - It can mean to put something on someone (v. 6, implied by putting mud on eyes),
 - But it can also mean “chosen” or “set apart.” Used this way, it refers to God’s chosen purpose.

Main Points

- What started this man's healing? What was the catalyst? What set things in motion?
 - *"I might do it just to show 'em."* ~Andy Mineo
- Jesus didn't heal him instantly—He gave him something uncomfortable to do.
- Faith means walking through discomfort to experience transformation.
- The man obeys without question.
- Grit grows through obedience in hard situations. Spiritual growth comes by obedience, especially in difficult situations.

Reflection Questions



- Why didn't Jesus just heal him right away? Why did he have to go through all of that for his healing?
- Sooooo, to heal you, Jesus puts mud and spit in your eyes—what is your response?
- How can you show trust when things don't make sense?

Application



Grit = Trusting God's process even before the miracle.



Where in your life is God asking you to walk by faith, not by sight?



Historically, our story is built upon the perseverance and belief in God's justice, healing, and restoration.





Prayer

“Lord, help us to obey even when we don’t understand. Give us strength to keep walking, even when we can’t yet see what you are doing. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

Closing Verse:

Corinthians 4: 8-9

⁸We often suffer, but we are never crushed. Even when we don't know what to do, we never give up. ⁹In times of trouble, God is with us, and when we are knocked down, we get up again.

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