A Person of Action

John 9

As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. **2** His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

- **3** "Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him. **4** As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. **5** While I am in the world, I am the light of the world."
- **6** After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. **7** "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam" (this word means "Sent"). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing.

8 His neighbors and those who had formerly seen him begging asked, "Isn't this the same man who used to sit and beg?" 9 Some claimed that he was.

Others said, "No, he only looks like him." But he himself insisted, "I am the man."

10 "How then were your eyes opened?" they asked.

11 He replied, "The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes. He told me to go to Siloam and wash. So I went and washed, and then I could see."

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the **substance** of things hoped for, the **evidence** of things not seen.

Faith: is to place confidence in, to trust, a conviction, a persuasion; in the Active sense means "believing, trusting.

Faith - There are four Greek words that we translate the word faith from. Two of the four are Verbs. A Verb is an action.

- Faith calls us to Action

James 2

14 What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them?

17 In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

21 Was not our father Abraham considered righteous for what he did when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? 22 You see that his **faith and his actions were working together**, **and his faith was made complete by what he did.** 23 And the scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness," and he was called God's friend.

24 You see that a person is considered righteous by what they do and not by faith alone.

Genesis 12

1 The Lord had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

4 So Abram went...

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- Jesus did 3 things...
- The Blind man did 3 things...
- This man was working with God and He received a Miracle...

God never works alone

The Creation - Father, Son & Holy Spirit

The Garden - Adam & Eve

The Naming of the Animals - Adam

The Flood - Noah

The Birthing of a Nation, Israel - Abraham

The Feeding and Preserving of Israel - Joseph

The Deliverance of Israel from Egypt - Moses

The Inhabiting of the Promise Land - Joshua

12 Judges over Israel in the book of Judges

God has always used people to accomplish his purpose and plan Thus we get the word Intercessor - One who stands between.

- The Working of God's hand requires the working of our Faith

Every Miracle Jesus performed required a demonstration of faith <u>before the miracle</u>, <u>or for the miracle</u>...

The Man at the Pool of Bethesda - John 5
The Woman with the issue of blood - Matthew 9
The Man who was let down through the roof - Luke 5

Jesus was always doing miracles
The people who experienced the miracles were always required by Jesus
to put the faith in action.

Take up your mat
Stretch out your hand
Crawl through the crowd
Shout at the top of your voice
Go down to the Pool of Siloam and wash
Lazarus Come Forth

At every Miracle Jesus performed He always met them somewhere in the middle of it!

- The Devil would love to paralyzed people with fear

Story: Evan Duran taking apart his BMW

- God calls us past fear
- God calls us to move, to be a person of action.

Story: When we sold the landscaping business.

- There is always room for doubt, just don't.
- God never moves in unbelief, He always moves in Faith.

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11 (The Man who was Blind), replied, "The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes. He told me to go to Siloam and wash. So I went... and washed... and then I could see."

IF the Blind man had **not** went... and washed... he would have gone home with nothing more than mud in his eyes...

Thank God the story didn't go that way
This man's testimony was:
He told me to go
So I went
And Washed
Then I could see

Oh I believe there is a simple but powerful principle here
One that we should take note of...
When Jesus says go do this or go do that, we should go
We should have the same testimony that this man has
He said Go, So I went... and I did it... and I saw something I never thought
I would ever see...

The Bible says, "How can to walk together accept they be in agreement?" Amos 3:3

Maybe what God is looking for is someone who will walk with him?