

# DEEPER ROOTS

February 19-24

## Planting Seeds: Read John 9:1-41

We studied this passage on Sunday and looked at how the man who was healed, would not stop sharing the truth of what Jesus had done for him. Early in this passage, Jesus makes an interesting claim. In verse 5, He proclaims that, "I am the light of the world." Then in Matthew 5, Jesus looked at His followers and proclaimed, "You are the light of the world." This is part of the transition that occurs in us after we come to Jesus. We come to Him, because He is the light of the world. He is a beacon of truth, hope, joy, and salvation. When we are lost in the darkness, Jesus lights our way. Now, we take the light that we have received and shine it in the lives of people in our families and communities. We become His light. We are not the light of the world because of our talent, ability, or personality. We are the light when we share His truth, His joy, His peace, and His kindness with the world. **How has Jesus and His message proven to be light in your world? What do you do with the love and peace that has been deposited in your life? How do you share the light of Jesus in your world?**

## Digging Deep: Read John 9:1-41, Romans 10:1-15

As Paul begins to wrap up the theological part of his letter to the Romans, he moves from the work that Jesus has done on the cross to our response. Paul has demonstrated His supreme admiration for the work that Jesus accomplishes in death and resurrection. However, he refuses to let us stay in a state of awe, or admiration. There needs to be a reaction because of the work that Jesus has done. If we have heard the message of salvation and life that comes through Jesus, we are commanded and compelled to share that message with others. The message of Jesus is good news to those who are walking in the darkness, but how will anyone believe this message unless they are told? We have heard this message, we have received this message, we have been saved, and walk in new life, new hope, and new joy. It can't be enough that we are blessed. We need to be transformed to be a blessing. **Who can you think of in your life that needs to hear the good news of what Jesus has done for them? How can you clearly and simply share the message of Jesus with them? When is a good time for you to plan to have that conversation?**

Pioneer Drive Baptist Church wants you to grow in The Word during the week of 2.19-24.23. Planting Seeds is a quick devotional and Digging Deep is a more robust study for you, your family, or your group. If you have questions or feedback, please email [Terence@pioneerdrive.org](mailto:Terence@pioneerdrive.org).