

Mid-Week Group – April 29, 2020

The Fallout from the Miracle - Share Your Story

John 9:13-14

- I. Following Christ means overcoming our fears of being “counter-culture” (v. 13-23)
- II. Testimonies for God can be followed by an invitation to follow Him (v. 24-34)
- III. Pride will be the downfall of many who will not believe (v. 35-41)

1. The blind man and his parents were facing potential expulsion from the synagogue, what social situation have you had to face to follow Christ?
2. How can we overcome the fears included in being “counter-culture”?
3. Tell us about a time that you extended an invitation to someone to follow Christ that went well.
4. If you had to scale the blind man’s excitement about following Christ, where would you put it?
5. Now, read verse 27 with that level of excitement. Do you feel his invitation is sarcastic or legitimate?
6. How can our excitement be at the same level as his?
7. Do you know your “story?” Have you thought about the fact that you have a “story” and how you would share it with someone else?

The blind man had an experience with Jesus, not knowing who he was dealing with. When asked by Jesus, his response is, “who is he that I may believe in Him.” He took his blessing and turned it into belief. He saw what Jesus had done for him and it strengthened a belief in the *person* of Jesus. His statement is that he may believe *in Him*. Do your blessings strengthen your belief *in Him*? Do you recognize the person behind the power or do we just enjoy the benefit of the blessing?

Lord, help me to see your power and how it has changed my story. Use my story to change someone else’s life for you.