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## From Blindness to Belief

### Breakdown of John 9

1. The **HEALING** for the man born blind (vs 1-7)
2. The **QUESTIONING** of the man born blind (vs 8-34)
3. The **BELIEF** from the man born blind (vs 35-38)
4. The **JUDGMENT** for the non-believers (vs 39-41)

### Responses that Move Us from Blindness to Belief

#### 1. **OBEY** Jesus. (carry out a command or instruction)

*"We must quickly carry out the tasks assigned us by the One who sent us..." John 9:4a (NLT)*

*"He [Jesus] told him, 'Go wash yourself in the pool of Siloam' (Siloam means "sent"). So the man went and washed and came back seeing!" John 9:7 (NLT)*

#### 2. **SHARE** Jesus. (Testify; witness)

*"He told them, 'The man they call Jesus made mud and spread it over my eyes and told me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash yourself.' So I went and washed, and now I can see!'" John 9:11 (NLT)*

*"The Pharisees asked the man all about it. So he told them, 'He [Jesus] put the mud over my eyes, and when I washed it away, I could see!'" John 9:15 (NLT)*

*"Then the Pharisees again questioned the man who had been blind and demanded, 'What's your opinion about this man who healed you?' The man replied, 'I think He must be a prophet.'" John 9:17 (NLT)*

*"'Look!' the man exclaimed. 'I told you once. Didn't you listen? Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become His disciples, too?'" John 9:27 (NLT)*

#### 3. **WORSHIP** Jesus. (Show love, honor, and obedience)

*"When Jesus heard what had happened, He found the man and asked, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?'" John 9:35 (NLT)*

*And he said, "Lord, I believe [in You and Your word]!" And he worshiped Him [Jesus] [with reverence and awe]. John 9:38 (AMP)*

## Keep the Conversation Going...

1. Today, we learned of Jesus using a physical activity (putting mud on eyes) to heal the blind man. As His followers, what “physical” activities does Jesus want us to do for His Kingdom?
2. How did this man's blindness display the works and goodness of God? How did his healing point to Jesus as the Son of God?
3. Read John 9:5. Why do you think Jesus might have talked about being the “light of the world” right before healing this man?
4. The blind man shared his story even though the people around him had a hard time believing it was true. How do you to tell people about what Jesus is doing in your life?