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Encounters With One: “Blind From Birth”

Text: John 9

1. The Reason for Our _____ (vs. 1-5)

A. The reason God made me: To _____ Him

Revelation 4:11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

1 Corinthians 10:31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

• **If your purpose is to glorify God then my question for you is... Are you fulfilling that purpose?**

B. The way God made me: That God’s work would be _____ in me.

2 Corinthians 12:5-10

Psalm 139:13–14 For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother’s womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

Whatever insufficiencies you might think you have; know they are there so God can work through you!

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

2. The Miracle Told _____ (vs. 6-34)

A. The miracle that didn’t fit their _____ (vs. 6–12)

Isaiah 55:8–9 8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. 9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

B. First telling: “All I know is what happened” (Neighbors) (vs. 8–12)

- You don’t have to know everything to tell something.
- If God changed you, say it.

C. Second telling: The religious starts an investigation (Pharisees) (vs. 13–17)

- They don’t celebrate the miracle—they attack the method: “It’s the sabbath.”

D. Third telling: Pressure makes his testimony sharper (Pharisees) (vs. 24–34)

3. Seeing Eyes, Then a Seeing _____ (vs. 35-38)

A. He _____ . (He gets saved!)

John 11:25-26 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

B. He _____

- Jesus deserves our worship. How sad, not many people worshiped Jesus.
- Remember the 10 lepers? Only one returned.

Psalm 95:6 O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.