

JUST GIVE ME JESUS

THE BOOK OF JOHN

Small Group

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

“Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.” James 1:22 NIV

SUMMARY

Pastor Billy Venezia continued to examine a story found in John 9:13-41 of a blind man who was healed by Jesus. Instead of joy and celebration, the Jewish religious leaders question him and his parents. Ultimately, he was rejected by his community on account of his relationship with Jesus.

APPLICATION

1. This healing was unfortunately followed by interrogation, not celebration.

- Have you ever had an experience that should have been joyful and celebratory, but instead was clouded and diminished in some way? If so, what happened?

2. This man was on a spiritual journey. In verse 11 he said it was “a man called Jesus” who healed him. By verse 38, he was worshiping Jesus as Lord.

- When you look back at your story of coming to Jesus, was it slow and more progressive - or was it more of an instantaneous moment?

3. When the man’s parents realized speaking truth about his healing meant being excommunicated and ostracized by their community, they folded.

- Share a time when you folded on your convictions to maintain approval from others.
- What did you learn from that experience?

4. Following Jesus cost this man something in that he was ultimately cast out of the Jewish community of which he’d always been a part.

- Has there been a time in your life when following Jesus cost you something?
- How can you be even more resolved to follow Jesus, no matter the cost?

5. After this man was rejected by his community, Jesus found him and re-engaged with him.

- When you face rejection in life, how can you allow Jesus to walk with you through it?

PRAYER

Pray that as follow we Jesus, we’d stand strong in the face of questioning, scrutiny, and rejection.

