

## THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Open Your Eyes

John 9:1-41

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Jesus is giving sight to a man who is born blind.  
Because the man was born blind the miracle cannot be dismissed.

Is it possible to stand before the light of the world and remain blind?

*Having said these things, he spit on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud 7 and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.*

John 9:6-7 ESV

### WHO SINNED?

Whenever we encounter something wrong we want to know whose fault it is.

The purpose of your pain is to give glory to God in the midst of your pain.

Jesus is seeing His time on earth coming to an end when His suffering and resurrection will give God glory.

### THE BLIND MAN HEALED

Jesus is creating sight that was not there at birth.

God gives us His Holy Spirit to help us along the way and to heal our hearts even when He does not heal our bodies.

### THE NEIGHBORS

*The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?"*

John 9:8 ESV

When you experience something outside your expectation you tend to deny and reject it.

### THE PHARISEES

*Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. John 9:16 ESV*

The Jews still do not believe that Jesus did this miracle or that this man was born blind.

### THE PARENTS

*The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight 19 and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" 20 His parents answered, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind.*

John 9:18-20 ESV

The Jews threatened anyone who said the Christ performed this miracle with being put out of the synagogue.

### THE MAN WHO WAS BLIND

*25 He answered, "Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." John 9:25 ESV*

The Pharisees were so set in their expectations of how the Messiah would come and reveal himself that when a miracle of this magnitude appears they reject it without consideration.

### JESUS AFFIRMS HIS DEITY

*Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" 36 He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" 37 Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you." John 9:35-36 ESV*

Do you believe in the one sent by God?

*And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. 20 For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed.*

John 3:19-20 ESV