

Expositional Preaching from the Authorized Version of the Holy Bible

Current Book: John – verse by verse

Scriptures for Today: John 9:1-41 – *Jesus Christ opens the eyes of the man born blind!*

Today's Message:

"Miraculous Sight"



INTRODUCTION

Last week, we witnessed a not so typical "Sunday School Jesus." He spoke truth in love to the religious leaders who wanted to kill Him. He spoke of 2 worlds, 2 fathers, and 2 deaths. Today, as many celebrate "Palm Sunday," God has a special message for you from the life of a man that was born _____. Now, so many people have questions as to why _____ things happen to people. Even today, you may be experiencing something difficult or challenging. For some, there is no apparent path to escape. As we get our eyes on Jesus today, the things of earth will grow strangely dim. This is God's message to you.

LEARNING TOGETHER

A. The Text John 9:1-41

#1. *Miraculous Sight* (1-7) – Jesus healed a man who was _____ from birth!

AS JESUS PASSED BY, HE SAW A MAN WHICH WAS **BLIND FROM HIS BIRTH**

- ✓ The context is a *continuation* of **John 8:59** – Jesus _____ by a blind man in need.
 - 1st Mention of "**blind**" in the KJV is **Exodus 4:11** – the LORD is the Maker.
 - 1st Mention of "**blindness**" in the KJV is **Gen 19:11** – God smote the Sodomites.
 - There are two primary forms of **blindness** in the Bible – physical and _____.

Important Note

There is **only one man in the entire Bible** who was born blind and healed!

WHO DID SIN, THIS MAN, OR HIS PARENTS, THAT HE WAS BORN BLIND?

- ✓ The disciples asked a *common question* – _____ **do bad things happen to people?**
 - There are **16** questions in this chapter – this chapter also has a lot of answers!
 - **John 9:3** – Jesus answered, **Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.**
 - Jesus led the question **away from WHY** to what God **can** _____ in this situation.
 - There was **URGENCY** in Jesus' words and work – **"I must work... while it is day..."**

Important Note

Instead of focusing on the man as a theology study, Jesus saw him as an opportunity to display His glory!

HE **ANOINTED THE EYES** OF THE BLIND MAN WITH CLAY

- ✓ Jesus **anointed** the blind man's **eyes** with **the clay** – he came _____!
 - **Psalms 146:8** – The LORD openeth the eyes of the blind...

Isaiah 64:8

But now, O LORD...
WE are the clay, and
thou art the potter...

Important Note

This is certainly a strange miracle. It is **#6** in John. Jesus has a plan!

As long as I am in the world, I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.

Imagine being born blind and seeing for the first time; the very first thing he saw was **THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD** – Jesus Christ! What a miracle! What a God!

#2. Powerful Testimony (8-38) – the man was bold to _____ the truth about Christ!**HOW WERE THINE EYES OPENED?**

Important Note
Often, family and friends are our first gospel opportunities.

- ✓ As soon as he was healed, he had _____ doors to speak of his amazing life change!
 - **John 9:11** – He answered... **A man that is called Jesus made clay... anointed mine eyes...**
 - Your personal testimony of salvation is often your most powerful witness!

Important Note
The Jewish leaders had already made up their minds about Jesus Christ!

WHAT SAYEST THOU OF HIM, THAT HE HATH OPENED THINE EYES?

- ✓ The Pharisees did not _____ concerning him that was blind and received sight.
 - **Ezek 14:3** – Son of man, **these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?**
 - What **a dangerous place** – beware if you are not willing to change your mind!

John 9:22
... the Jews had agreed already, that if **any man did confess that HE was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue.**

IS THIS YOUR SON, WHO YE SAY WAS BORN BLIND? HOW... DOTH HE NOW SEE?

- ✓ The parents were questioned by Pharisees – they were _____ to tell the truth!
 - **John 9:20-21** – His parents answered... **We know... this is our son... he was born blind...**
 - God has a way of using saved children to reach their parents for His glory!

Proverbs 28:1
... the righteous are bold as a lion.

ONE THING I KNOW, THAT, WHEREAS I WAS BLIND, NOW I SEE

- ✓ The blind begger becomes a _____ of righteousness for His Lord Jesus Christ!
 - **John 9:25-32** – He answered and said... **one thing I know... I was blind, now I see.**
 - **John 9:33** – **If this man were not of God, he could do nothing. Isa 29:18; 35:5; 42:7**
 - **John 9:34** – They answered... **Thou was altogether born in sins... dost thou now teach us?**

TRUTH A common man with the Spirit of God and a holy Bible can change the world!

Romans 10:9
That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

DOST THOU BELIEVE ON THE SON OF GOD?

- ✓ The blind begger was not only healed physically, but he also got saved _____!
 - **John 9:36** – He answered and said, **Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?**
 - **John 9:38** – And he said, **Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.**

#3. Spiritual Blindness (38-41) – spiritual darkness has _____ many people.

Mark 2:17
They that are whole have no need of a physician, **but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.**

FOR JUDGMENT I AM COME... THAT THEY WHICH SEE MIGHT BE MADE BLIND

- ✓ The religious leaders were experiencing _____ **blindness** from pride and sin.
 - **Isaiah 6:8-10** – And he said, Go, and tell this people... **see ye indeed, but perceive not.**

BUT NOW YE SAY, WE SEE; THEREFORE YOUR SIN REMAINETH

- ✓ Jesus was speaking to “blind guides” leading themselves and others into _____.
 - **2 Cor 3:14** – But **there minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same veil...**
 - **2 Cor 4:4** – ... **the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not...**
 - **Eph 4:18** – Having **the understanding darkened... because of... blindness of their heart.**
 - **2 Pet 1:9** – ...**lacketh these...is blind...hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.**
 - **1 Jn 2:11** – Be he that **hateth his brother is in darkness... darkness hath blinded his eyes.**

Revelation 3:17
Because **THOU SAYEST, I am rich, and increased with good, and have need of nothing; and KNOWEST NOT that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and **BLIND**, and naked:**

Are we blind also?

Now, that is a good question for all of us today! Some of you have been spiritually blinded from birth, and Jesus is passing by your life today. Get saved today! Some of you have been saved and are being spiritually blinded by pride and sin. Repent today!