



Are You Blind?  
John 9:1-41

- I. Intro: A family beggar
  - A. He looked like a beggar
  - B. Did it for the money
  
- II. Miracles: There is a deeper message
  - A. Why are there miracles?
  - B. How do I understand a Miracle?
    - 1. Communicates God's or Jesus' person and character
    - 2. There is an Old Testament Background
    - 3. Reveals the Person and Work of Jesus
      - Something spiritual about me
      - Something spiritual to me
    - 4. Points to the work of Jesus on the cross
    - 5. Applications to us now
  - C. Example John 9
    - 1. A man born blind. Question: Why? Vs 1-2
      - a. Either he sinned in the womb
      - b. Or the parents
      - c. Rabbis: Angels teach babies in the womb
      - d. Rabbis: If the mother sins, the baby also might be judged!
      - e. Neither? How could God be so unfair?
    - 2. Jesus violates the Sabbath
      - a. He makes mud
      - b. He heals...(without anyone repenting)
      - c. He heals on the Sabbath!
    - 3. The controversy
      - a. How could a sinner be healed?
      - b. Did Jesus violate the Sabbath?
      - c. Is Jesus a false teacher, denying the teaching of the rabbis?
      - d. This is why the parents were so afraid
      - e. Conclusion: verse 31-33
  - D. What the Miracle is teaching
    - 1. Everyone is born blind
    - 2. We can only be healed by Jesus
    - 3. The ultimate healing occurred on the cross
    - 4. We still do not see clearly



Slide for A Why are there miracles?

1. To demonstrate His glory and power
2. Authenticate His Word
3. Authenticate and Validate Jesus
4. Show His power over Darkness

Slide for Miracles

Redemptive Miracles

Ultimate healing on the Cross

Downward arrow

Reveal the Purpose, Person and Diety of Jesus ( slant up arrow)

Down arrow

What this says about me

—> Application to me now

What this says to me

Application to the future