

John 9:1-2

As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

John 9:3-5

"Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be **displayed** in him. As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

John 9:6-7 After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam" (this word means "Sent"). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing.

John 9:14,16 ¹⁴ Now the day on which Jesus had made the mud and opened the man's eyes was a **Sabbath**. ¹⁶ Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath."

John 9:39 Jesus said, "For judgment I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind."

Conversation #1 The Beggar and His Neighbors John 9:8–12

John 9:8-9 His neighbors and those who had formerly seen him begging asked, "Isn't this the same man who used to sit and beg?" Some claimed that he was. Others said, "No, he only looks like him." But he himself insisted, "I am the man.

John 9:10-12

"How then were your eyes opened?" they asked. He replied, "The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes. He told me to go to Siloam and wash. So I went and washed, and then I could see." "Where is this man?" they asked him. "I don't know," he said.

Conversation #2 The Beggar and the Pharisees

John 9:13–17

John 9:16-17

Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others asked, "How can a sinner perform such signs?" So they were divided. Then they turned again to the blind man, "What have you to say about him? It was your eyes he opened." The man replied, "He is a prophet."

Conversation #3 The Pharisees and the Parents John 9:18-23

"The Jews had three types of excommunication: one lasting 30 days, during which the person could not come within six feet of anybody else; one for an indefinite time, during which the person was excluded from all fellowship and worship; and one that meant absolute expulsion forever. These judgments were very serious because no one could conduct business with a person who was excommunicated."

Conversation#4 The Beggar and the Pharisees

John 9:24-34

John 9:24 A second time they summoned the man who had been blind. "Give glory to God by telling the truth," they said. "We know this man is a sinner."

John 9:25 He replied, "Whether he is a sinner or not, I don't know. One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!"

John 9:26-27 Then they asked him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered, "I have told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples too?"

John 9:28-29 Then they hurled insults at him and said, "You are this fellow's disciple! We are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but as for this fellow, we don't even know where he comes from."

John 5:46 If you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me.

John 9:30-34

The man answered, "Now that is remarkable! You don't know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners. *He listens to the godly person* who does his will. Nobody has ever heard of opening the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing."

John 9:30-34 To this they replied, "You were steeped in sin at birth; how dare you lecture us!" And they threw him out.

Conversation #5 Jesus and the Beggar John 9:35-38

John 9:35-38 Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" "Who is he, sir?" the man asked. "Tell me so that I may believe in him." Jesus said, "You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you." Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him.

Who is Jesus to you?

Faith under pressure results in WORSHIP and WITNESS

Will we let our **LIGHT SHINE** when the pressure is turned up?