Seven: Healing the Man Born Blind

Sermon Discussion Guide 3.30.25

Signs point the way. They direct us, warn us and inform us. Signs make clear what we cannot see. During His ministry, the Gospel of John tells us that Jesus performed 7 signs that were designed to reveal His identity as the Messiah. With each sign we are confronted with the truth about Jesus; and with each sign we are asked to make a decision about His identity and His work on the cross for us: will we believe?

Big Picture:

• Jesus' 6th sign reveals that He is the one who can bring us out of our spiritual darkness and blindness.

Getting Started

• How have you seen God at work in your life this week?

Search the Scriptures

Have someone (or multiple people) read through the passage of John 9.

- What stuck out to you in this passage? What questions sprang up as you read?
- Why do the disciples ask Jesus if the man or his parents sinned?
 - What sticks out to you about Jesus' response to their question?
- What opposition do the Pharisees have to Jesus' healing of the man?
- What do we learn about evangelism or sharing our testimony from the man in this passage? (particularly vs. 25)

• What is the man's, who was healed, response to this miracle in his life? (vs. 35-38)

Getting Practical

- What darkness has Jesus freed you from since you experienced his saving grace?
- How can we be like the man born blind in his eagerness to share his testimony to others?
 - Remember, God simply wants your willingness and boldness. Not your expertise or theological prowess.
- Is there someone in your life who doesn't know Jesus who we can pray for tonight?

Lent Questions (For participating groups):

- 1. Why does suffering often lead us away from Jesus rather than to Him?
- 2. What did you learn about Jesus or yourself this week as you read, prayed, fasted, and reflected?
- 3. How have you seen Jesus use your suffering for His glory and your good?