

# A MAN BORN BLIND

## John 9



## SELECTIVE READING FROM JOHN 9

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• John 9:1-4<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Opportunity</li></ul></li><li>• John 9:5-7<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Light and Darkness</li></ul></li><li>• John 9:8-12<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Testimony to Neighbors</li></ul></li></ul> |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• John 9:25, 30-32<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Testimony to Pharisees</li></ul></li><li>• John 9:35-38<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Confession of Faith</li></ul></li></ul> |
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### Pharisee Sections Omitted

The Court of the Pharisees: John 9:13-34 (except 30-32)

The Question of the Pharisees: John 9:39-41

## AN OPPORTUNITY JOHN 9:1-4

- As He Passed By (John 9:1)
  - Random Coincidence? (Not with God)
- Who Sinned? (John 9:2-3)
  - Retribution or Divine Plan
- I Must Do ... (John 9:4)
  - Tension is created with the Pharisees

## DARKNESS AND LIGHT

### JOHN 9:4-7

- The Night is Coming (John 9:4-5)
  - Anticipation of the Cross
- Spittle and Clay (John 9:6)
  - No recipe for healing
- Go Wash (John 9:7)
  - A Test of Faith

## TESTIMONY TO NEIGHBORS JOHN 9:8-12

- Is this the man? (John 9:8-9)
  - Change is apparent.
- How did it happen? (John 9:10-11)
  - A simple testimony [Compare John 9:25]
- Where is He? (John 9:12)
  - A thirst for Christ

## TESTIMONY TO THE PHARISEES JOHN 9:25,30-32

- Where is He? (John 9:30)
  - Contrast with the neighbors.
- Who does God hear? (John 9:31)
  - Evidence from Scripture
- When has this happened before? (John 9:32)
  - Evidence from history.

## CONFESSION OF FAITH JOHN 9:35-38

- Christ found him! (John 9:35)
  - It is Christ who does the seeking!
- Christ is not recognized. (John 9:36-37)
  - He apparently never saw the face of Jesus.
  - He only knew Him by His works.
- Worship follows faith. (John 9:38)
  - He believed, then he worshipped.

## CONTRAST – SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS JOHN 9:39-41

- Are We Blind? (John 9:39-40)
  - Compare with Parables ( Matthew 13:13)
  - Contrast with the Prophets (Matthew 13:17)
- Spiritual Blindness of Israel. (John 9:41)
  - Claim to see (based on human wisdom)
  - Eyewitnesses to an important sign of Messiah
  - Fail to understand what they see (blind)



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