## #8 John 9:1-41 Healing of the Blind Man

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Have you ever experienced a time when your perspective on something completely changed? What caused that shift in your thinking?

- 1. What stood out to you in this passage from **John 9:1-41**?
- 2. Were there any parts of the story that surprised you or challenged your understanding?
- 3. In **John 9:2-3**, Jesus' disciples ask about the cause of the man's blindness. How does Jesus respond, and what does this reveal about His perspective on suffering?
- 4. How does the healing process described in **John 9:6-7** differ from other healing miracles in the Gospels? What might be significant about this?
- 5. Throughout the chapter, we see different reactions to the healing.
  - How do the neighbours (**John 9:8-12**)
  - Pharisees (**John 9:13-34**)
  - Healed man's parents (**John 9:18-23**) respond?

What might explain their varied reactions?

- 6. The man born blind gradually comes to understand who Jesus is (**John 9:11, 17, 33, 38**). How has your understanding of Jesus grown over time?
- 7. In **John 9:39-41**, Jesus speaks about spiritual blindness. In what areas of your life might you be spiritually "blind"?
- 8. The healed man faced opposition and rejection for his faith (**John 9:34**). Have you ever experienced pushback for your beliefs? How did you handle it?
- 9. This week, try to be more aware of your own "blind spots." Ask a trusted friend or family member to help you identify an area where you might need to grow or change your perspective.

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10. The man in this story boldly shared his experience with Jesus (**John 9:25**). Think of one way you can share your faith journey with someone this week, whether through words or actions.

**Call to Action:** Dan asked us at the end of the serivce if we have gotten distracted and lost sight of the vision to reach our friends, family, neighbours and co-workers with the gospel. Have you gotten distracted? What would it look like to remove distractions and take our calling seriously?