

# GOSPEL OF JOHN

Lesson #5 -The Blind Man  
Scripture Reading: John 9:1-5

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Introduction:

1. Solid evidence can be staring on in the face and yet still they do not see it.
2. Jesus gave many obvious signs and wonders that He is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

Proposition: Jesus demonstrates that He is God.

Interrogative: How is His deity developed in this incident?

Transition: We see the deity of Jesus through...

## **I. THE HEALING OF THE BLIND MAN -9:1-12**

### **A. JESUS WORKS THE WORKS OF GOD**

1. Jesus states that sin is not the reason for the man's blindness.
2. It was that the works of God would be revealed in him.

### **B. THE BLIND MAN IS HEALED**

1. Jesus made clay with His saliva and anointed his eyes.
2. He told him to wash in the pool of Siloam.
3. When the blind man obeyed, he could see.

## **II. THE GREAT CONFLICT -9:13-34**

### **A. THE INWARD CONFLICT -vs. 13-17**

1. The former blind man tells of his healing.
2. Jesus is not from God because He does not keep the Sabbath.
3. How can He do these signs unless God is with Him? -cf. Jn 7:30, 31

### **B. THE CONFLICT WITH HIS PARENTS -vs. 18-23**

1. The Jews did not believe he was ever blind.
2. His parents affirm this is their son and that he was born blind. They do not give any answer regarding his healing. They pass that burden on to him for fear of being cast out of the synagogue.

### **C. THE CONFLICT WITH THE FORMER BLIND MAN -vs. 24-34**

1. The Pharisees were spiritually blind -vs. 16
  - a. They wanted to blind others -vs. 22
  - b. They wanted to blind (spiritually) the former blind man -vs. 24
2. His response: concerning any sin of Jesus, he does not know. He does know however, that he was blind and now he can see.
3. If Jesus were not from God, He could do nothing -vs. 33

4. The Pharisees cast him out of the synagogue.

### **III. THE WORDS OF JESUS -9:35-41**

#### **A. JESUS REVEALS HIMSELF TO THE BLIND MAN**

1. Jesus states that He is the Son of God.
2. The (former) blind man believes and worships Him. Jesus accepts worship further indicating that He is God.

#### **B. JESUS CAME FOR JUDGMENT**

1. No one can be indifferent to Jesus. They will either believe Him or they will reject Him.
2. The blind man could see the works of Jesus and thus believed.
3. The Pharisees saw the same works but would not believe He was from God and ultimately is God.
4. If they could not discern spiritually, they would have no sin. Since they were able to see signs and discern the meaning, their sin remained.

#### **Conclusion:**

1. John again proves that Jesus is God in the flesh -cf. Jn 1:14.
2. We acknowledge that Jesus died on the cross to set us free from sin.
3. The question is, "What will we do with Jesus?"
  - We will either believe in Him as the (former) blind man did.
  - Or, we will reject Him as the Pharisees who despite all the evidence, refused to believe.