

Chapter 9 - Study Questions

Things are not always what they appear to be. Blind people are not supposed to see, yet in today's study we will read of a blind person who came to see much more than he ever thought possible. We will also read of some who thought they were fine, but in reality, they were unable to see the most important person of all.

1. According to Jesus, why was this man born blind? (9:3)
2. According to the once blind man, who healed him? (9:11)
3. Do you think that John intends his readers to connect the "acts of God" of verse three with the miracle that Jesus performed?
4. What were some of the Pharisees opinion of Jesus after he performed this miracle? (9:16)
5. What did some of the other Pharisees say about Jesus after he performed this miracle? (9:17)
6. Who do the Pharisees seek out to confirm this miracle? (9:18)
7. Do you think the parents said anything that would falsify the miraculous account?
8. After talking with the parents, what have the Pharisees concluded about Jesus? (9:24)
9. Did the blind man share the same opinion about Jesus as the Pharisees? (9:25)

10. The once blind man asserts that only someone sent from God could do a “remarkable thing” like heal a man who has been blind from birth (9:30-33). *Do you think* the blind man has a good case for believing that Jesus was sent by God?

11. Jesus finds the once blind man. After their encounter, does the blind man “see” Jesus as more than just a man?

12. Did the Pharisees think they needed anyone to teach them about God? (9:34)

13. What *do you think* blinded the Pharisees from seeing Jesus as the Son of Man sent by God?