

LIFE GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Seven Signs of John Series

These questions are for the **October 22, 2023** message, "And Came Back Seeing." Please read the sermon passage (John 9:1-41) together out loud.

Passage Outline

BECAUSE JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD...

1. He can give eyesight to the blind. (1-7)
 - a. He created everything about you. Psalm 139
 - i. He knows everything about you.
 - ii. Jesus sees you.
 - b. What is the relationship between sin and suffering?
 - i. There is failing and suffering in this world because of the fall (sin) of mankind. (Genesis 3; Romans 8)
 - ii. Sometimes suffering is a consequence for our specific sin. Sometimes it's not.
 - iii. The purpose of suffering is so that the works of God might be displayed in us. (John 9:3)
 - c. The works of God are displayed in us as Christ followers through the Holy Spirit. (John 9:4-5; John 14:12; Eph. 2:10)
2. He can make the blind to see. (8-41)
 - a. The ability for Jesus to give eyesight to the blind is nothing compared to his ability to make spiritually blind people see their need for salvation. (Eph. 2:1-8)
 - i. It takes an act of miraculous intervention by Jesus for you and I to see Jesus.
 - b. Response of the Pharisees - "He's a sinner; he's not from God." They are blind. They have ongoing, intensifying, cascading rejection of Jesus.
 - c. Response of the healed man - He has ongoing, intensifying reception of Jesus.
 - i. He (Jesus) is a man. (verse 11)
 - ii. He is a prophet. (verse 17)
 - iii. He is from God. (verse 24-34)
 - iv. He is God (verse 35-38)

Life Group Discussion Questions

How does it make you feel to know that Jesus, your Creator, sees you and knows everything about you, including your spiritual blindness?

Share an example of when Jesus used your suffering (or the suffering of someone you know) to display the works of God.

How is it spiritually helpful to be aware of the intensification of the world rejecting Jesus?

What are some examples of some of the greater works we as Christ-followers can do in Sheboygan County this week? (John 14:12)