

Miracles Of Jesus

Lesson 6: Jesus Makes The Blind See

In John 9, as Jesus was passing by, He saw a man who had been blind from the time he was born. When His disciples saw the man who could not see, they asked Jesus whether the man or his parents had sinned so as to cause his blindness. However, Jesus told them that this man's blindness was not because of any sin. Instead, his blindness was intended so that the works of God might be shown in him. Jesus was going to make this blind man be able to see so that people would believe that He really is the Son of God!

So, to heal this man, Jesus spat on the ground and made clay with His saliva. Then, He put the clay on the blind man's eyes. He instructed the man to go and wash in the pool of Siloam. "So he went and washed, and came back seeing" (John 9:7). Because this man obeyed Jesus' commandment, Jesus healed him from his blindness!

The man who had been blind was seen by all of his neighbors and the people who knew that he had been blind and was a beggar. They wanted to know how he could now see after being blind. Then, he told them all about what Jesus had done and what happened to him.

When these people took the man who had been blind to some other Jews who were called "Pharisees," the man again explained how he had been given sight after clay was put on his eyes and washed in the pool. But, the Pharisees said that Jesus was not from God. However, the man who was blind knew that Jesus was somebody special. Although he didn't know all about who Jesus was at that time, he said, "One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see" (John 9:25). And, this man knew enough about Jesus to know that he wanted to follow Jesus. He knew that Jesus had to be from God because of His power to make him see – because he knew that no one could do such a great miracle unless He had come from God!

Later, Jesus found the man who had been blind. He asked the man, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" (John 9:35). The man answered and wanted to know who the Son of God is so that he could believe in Him. Then, Jesus told the man, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you" (John 9:37). The man responded, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped Jesus (John 9:38).

This great miracle proves that Jesus is the Son of God. Because Jesus had come into this world and performed all of these wonderful miracles, even people who were spiritually blind and were not living to please God could be able to see that He is God's Son (John 9:39). Still, some people decided not to believe in Jesus. But, all of these miracles have been done by Jesus so that you really will believe in Him and obey what He says.

This is not even the only example of Jesus making the blind be able to see. There are other examples in the Bible as well. For instance, Jesus made two blind men see in Matthew 9:27-31 and they told people all around the country about Jesus. He made two more blind men see in Matthew 20:29-33 and they followed Jesus. And, Jesus healed a blind man named Bartimaeus in Mark 10:46-52 and he followed Jesus on the road. Certainly, every one of these stories help us to learn about Jesus' great power that proves He is the Son of God!

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Study Questions:

1. How long had the man been blind?
2. Why was he blind?
3. What did Jesus put on the blind man's eyes?
4. What was the blind man told to do after Jesus put clay on his eyes?
5. What happened after the man obeyed Jesus?
6. Did anybody notice that the blind man could now see?
7. What did the man who had been blind believe about Jesus? What did He do to Jesus?
8. What are some other examples of Jesus healing blind people?

Memory Verse:

"Since the world began it has been unheard of that anyone opened the eyes of one who was born blind. If this Man were not from God, He could do nothing" (John 9:32-33).

Draw a picture of the lesson you learned about: