

***The Gospel of John: Knowing Jesus***  
**Chapter 9 “Who Sinned? Physical and Spiritual Blindness”**  
**March 25, 2020**

**Overview:** *Most Jews believed that suffering was the result of one’s sins and this belief was often taught by the Rabbi. In this study we will hear what Jesus says about this matter and the end result.*

1. What ideas about sins are implied in the following verses: 9:2? \_\_\_\_\_  
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9:13-16, 24 \_\_\_\_\_  
9:34 \_\_\_\_\_

2. What does Jesus say about sins in the following verses: 9:3? \_\_\_\_\_  
9:41 \_\_\_\_\_

3. Why are the signs or miracles in chapter 9 more evidence that Jesus was the Messiah? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Why is Jesus statement that “I AM the light of the world so significant? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. What does Jesus mean by the statement in v.39 “the blind will see and those who see will become blind”?  
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6. How important is spiritual conviction to “seeing” clearly? \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. In vv. 37-38, when Jesus said that the “Son of Man” was the person speaking, the man instantly responded by worshipping Jesus. He was ready to believe on the one who had healed him. The progress in his spiritual understanding of Christ is marked by progressive descriptions in the text: v.11 “*The man they called Jesus*”, v.17 “*he is a prophet*”, v. 33 “*from God*”, v.35 “*Son of Man*”, and lastly, v.38 “*Lord*”. This progression illustrates the man’s movement from **darkness** to **light**, both **physically** and **spiritually**.

**A time for reflection:** What truths from this lesson seems most significant to you today? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**How will you apply this study to your life?** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**A time for worship:** *Praise Jesus and thank Him for His righteous judgment and mercy.*

**Join us next week at 7:30**

References: Through the Bible in one year by Stringfellow, LifeChange series from the book of John, NIV Study Bible and NKJV Study Bible