

Living Connections Bible Study

Mud in the Eyes



Prayer

Text: John 9:1- 41

Icebreaker: Make a list of *light's* many qualities and characteristics.

1. What glorious claim did Jesus make for Himself in John 8:12 and 9:4-5?

2. What important spiritual lesson do we learn from the fact that the blind man in John 9:1 was blind from birth? 2 Corinthians 4:3-4

3. What misunderstanding did the Jews have regarding sickness and physical infirmities like blindness? Verse 2

4. What explanation did Jesus give for this man's blindness? Verse 3

5. What do the following verses teach us about different purposes behind sickness and infirmity?
2 Corinthians 12:7-10 _____

Romans 8:18-25 _____

2 Kings 13:14 _____

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 _____

John 5:14; 1 Corinthians 11:29-32 _____

6. Why would Jesus put mud in the blind man's eyes and send him to the pool of Siloam to wash the mud out? Verses 6-7; John 20:30-31; 1 John 1:7

7. Make a list of some things (mud of this world) that blind men from the truth today.

8. What blinded the eyes of some of the neighbors of this blind man? Verses 8-9

Jesus not only opened the blind man's physical eyes but He gave him spiritual sight too.

9. What was the blind man's first perception of who Jesus was after he received his physical sight? Verses 10-12

10. What blinded the eyes of the Pharisees here to whom Jesus was and where He was from? Verses 13-16

11. What new perception had the healed man come to in verse 17?

12. What mud blinded the eyes of this man's parents that kept them from confessing Jesus to be their Savior and Messiah? Verses 18-23

13. What powerful testimony did this man have for those who questioned what Jesus had done for him? How can we use this in our own witness? Verses 24-25

14. What new revelation do we learn about this man in verses 26-27?

15. What new conclusions did he come to in defending Jesus in verses 28-33?

16. Why was it such a devastating thing for this man to be cast out of the temple? Verse 34

17. What did Jesus do to give this man a full revelation of Himself, and what has He done to bring us into the presence and mercy of God's grace?
Verses 35-38, Hebrews 4:14-16

Think about it this week:

*Jesus said,
"For judgment I have come into this world,
that those who do not see may see,
and that those who see may be made blind."
Then some of the Pharisees who were with Him heard these words,
and said to Him,
"Are we blind also?"
Jesus said to them,
"If you were blind, you would have no sin;
but now you say, 'We see.'
Therefore your sin remains.*

~John 9:39-41