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JESUS CAME TO MAKE US SEE What Jesus Came to Do

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Part 4 of 4

John 9:1-39 – God’s process of building faith

I’d love to be able to see: _____

I. **BREAK THROUGH EITHER/OR THINKING**

“His disciples asked Him, ‘Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?’” John 9:2

“Jesus said, ‘You’re asking the wrong question. You’re looking for someone to blame. There is no such cause-effect here. Look instead for what God can do.’”
John 9:3 (Message)

The way you break through either/or thinking is to look instead for what God can do. Look for God’s third option.

II. **ASK JESUS TO HELP YOU**

“Then He told the man, ‘Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam.’ (Siloam means Sent.) So the man went, washed, and came back seeing.” John 9:7 (NCV)

Miracles always start when somebody does something very ordinary in obedience to God.

- Don’t confuse the method with the miracle.
- Don’t mistake your participation for God’s power.

“I am in deep trouble. Rush to my aid, for only You can help and save me, O Lord, don’t delay.” Psalm 70:5 (TLB)

- Be aware of treating God like a 911 call.

III. **LOOK PAST WHAT OTHERS CANNOT SEE**

The people said:

“Some said, ‘He is the one,’ but others said, ‘No, he only looks like him.’ The man himself said, ‘I am the man.’” John 9:9 (NCV)

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- Don't let the past blind you to the possibilities.

The leaders said:

"The Jewish leaders wouldn't believe he had been blind..." John 9:18
(NLT)

The man said:

"One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!" John 9:25

I once was _____

But now I _____

IV. TRUST JESUS TO SAVE YOU

"Yes, Lord," the man said, 'I believe!' And he worshipped Jesus." John 9:38
(TLB)

HOW DO YOU TRUST JESUS TO SAVE YOU?

1. You need humility.

"Then Jesus told him, 'I have come into the world to give sight to those who are spiritually blind..." John 9:39 (NLT)

"I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in Me will no longer remain in the darkness." John 12:46 (NLT)

2. You need enlightenment.

Look at the progression of light dawning in this man's life.

John 9:11 He calls Jesus a man.

John 9:17 He calls Jesus a prophet.

John 9:38 He calls Jesus Lord.

3. You need commitment.

"You are the world's light – a city on a hill, glowing in the night for all to see. Don't hide your light! Let it shine for all ..." Matthew 5:14-16 (TLB)

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