

Message Series:

Jesus Who Are You?

A Study on the Miracles of Jesus Found in John, Chapters 2-11

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Today's Message:

Progressive Sight

John Chapter 9

Sixth sign miracle featured in John's Gospel

John 9:39 The Message

Jesus then said, "I came into the world to bring everything into the clear light of day, making all the distinctions clear, so that those who have never seen will see, and those who have made a great pretense of seeing will be exposed as blind."

Today's Main Thought: Jesus is the light of the world. He gives spiritual sight to those who are spiritually blind. Jesus reminds the self-righteous they too stand in need of spiritual sight.

Jesus removes spiritual cataracts vv. 1-12

- Jesus restores sight to those who are **spiritually blind**, vv. 1-6
- Jesus expects us to participate in the process of **gaining and maintaining** our spiritual sight, v. 7; 2 Kings 5:1-14; Acts 2:37
- The blind man's neighbors, community and parents witnessed the changes Jesus made in his life, v. 8-11; 2 Corinthians 5:17

The gift of spiritual sight leads to life-changing vision vv. 35-38

- **Life-changing vision is progressive**, vv.11, 17, 31-33, 35-38
 - Who healed you? A man called Jesus, v. 11
 - What do you say about Him? **He is a prophet**, v. 17
 - Where is he from? He is a man of God, vv. 31-33
 - Do you believe in the son of man? **"Lord I believe"** vv. 35-38

Jesus renders the self-righteous a shocking spiritual diagnosis vv. 39-41

- Mr. or Mrs. Self-righteous, you are suffering from a condition called **spiritual glaucoma**.

Characteristics of Spiritual Glaucoma

1. Unbelief
2. Self-righteous patients are unaware of their condition
3. Consider the teachings of Jesus as foolish

Jesus who are you? The one who gives life-changing vision.

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Next Week: John 11:17-45