# I was blind, now I see! - John 9:1-41

The Light of the World removes physical blindness (9:1-12).

The Light of the World confronts spiritual blindness (9:13-34).

The Light of the World gives spiritual sight (9:35-41).

### **Questions for Discussion & Application:**

- 1. What was surprising, confusing, or helpful from today's passage?
- 2. What reason does Jesus give for this man's blindness (9:3)? How have you experienced suffering that was an opportunity for the works of God to be displayed in your own life?
- 3. How did the blind man's parents handle being questioned by the religious leaders (9:18-23)? What sin did the parent's commit (see also 12:42-43)? How might we be tempted by this same sin today?
- 4. How is the healed blind man's response to Jesus very different from the healed invalid in John 5:1-16? What do the religious leader's do to the healed blind man because of his courage to defend Jesus (9:34)? What can we learn from this?
- 5. The healed man has not only been given physical sight but also spiritual sight to accept and believe who Jesus really is. What do we see about the healed man's faith that marks it as authentic (9:38)?
- 6. What is your own story of being given spiritual sight to trust in Jesus?

Memory Verse: John 9:25

Passage to Look at for Next Week: John 10:1-21

**Christ Our Glory** 

Our rest is in heaven our rest is not here
Then why should we tremble when trials draw near
Be still and remember the worst that can come
But shortens our journey and hastens us home\

Christ our glory Christ our hope
Christ our King forevermore
Be still and remember the worst that can come
But shortens our journey and hastens us home

No hours should be wasted on seeking our joy And placing our hope in what will be destroyed We look for a city that hands have not raised We long for a country that sin has not stained

Christ our glory Christ our hope
Christ our King forevermore
We look for a city that hands have not raised
We long for a country that sin has not stained

Though trouble and anguish increase all the more
They cannot compare to the glory in store
Come joy or come sorrow whatever befalls
The light of the Savior will outshine them all

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### Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

#### Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus Yours is the victory

Jesus Christ my living hope
Oh God You are my living hope

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## **Turn Your Eyes**

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

Turn your eyes to the hillside
Where justice and mercy embrace
There the Son of God gave His life for us
And our measureless debt was erased

#### Chorus

Jesus to You we lift our eyes
Jesus our glory and our prize
We adore You behold You our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You

Turn your eyes to the morning
And see Christ the lion awake
What a glorious dawn fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins

Turn your eyes to the heavens
Our King will return for His own
Every knee will bow every tongue will shout
All glory to Jesus alone

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## Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

#### Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

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