

1. What kinds of things do you love to display in your home or office? What makes them significant to you?
2. Read John 9:1–3. How does Jesus answer his disciples' question? What about his answer was contrary to prevailing thought? How does his answer help us with understanding theodicy and the problem of evil?
3. Read John 9:4–7. What does Jesus do for this man? What might be the significance of the saliva and the mud and the Pool of Siloam? How does this continue to substantiate the purpose of John's Gospel (John 20:31)?
4. Read John 9:8–12. How does the response of the neighbors indicate a typical human response to God's supernatural activity?
5. Read John 9:13–34. How does the blind man confound the pedigree and education of the religious elite? What principle does this reveal? What is the place of education today in our pursuit of knowing Jesus? How about experience?
6. Read John 9:35–38. How has the text demonstrated the progression of faith for this man born blind? What can we learn about how God reveals himself from this? Can you think of any examples from your own experience that have occurred on a similar timeline?
7. Read John 9:39–41. What dichotomy does Jesus put before the people here? What principle can we discern?
8. Are there any aspects of your life where you are claiming sight when you really need to claim blindness and ask Jesus to intervene? Have that conversation with God this week. And let him open your eyes as only he can!