



Sermon Discussion Guide

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Hook - Getting to know one another

- *How is everyone doing this week? Add other questions to get to know one another, especially ones related to the topic in the sermon.*
- Was there ever a time when you were telling someone the truth and they didn't believe you or the other way around?

Book - Scripture

- *Read the scripture passages and discuss to understand **what the text is saying**:*
- *Read John 9:1-34*
- *What claim does Jesus make about himself in this passage?*
- *What explanation does Jesus give for why this man is blind?*
- *How do the Pharisees and other witnesses respond to the healing?*

Look - Connections to our world today

- *This section focuses on the implications about **what this text means** about what's wrong in the world, about trusting God, about who God is, etc.*
- Why do you think the Pharisees were so intent on not believing that the man had been healed?
 - What does it tell you about their hearts and minds?
- What do you think Jesus was trying to communicate by healing the blind man?
- Describe the difference between the response of the blind man and the Pharisees to the healing. Why do you think the one man believed and the others couldn't?

Took - Personal Application



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- *This application focuses on **how God is calling us to respond**. This could be personally, as a family, small group, or church. It could be something to believe, to meditate on, to say or do this week.*
- The Pharisees were so focused on other things that they were blind to the works that Jesus was doing right in front of them.
 - What things in your own life tend to blind you to what Jesus is doing in your life?
 - What steps can you take to refocus your vision on Jesus in your life?
- Where in your life or world do you see darkness? Do you believe that Jesus can bring life?
 - Spend some time at the end praying for Jesus to bring faith to unbelief both individually and for our world as a whole.

Time of Prayer