



On Display

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As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" John 9:1–2 (NIV)

"Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him." John 9:3 (NIV)

Sermon in a Sentence: God so desires to display his best work through you.

⇒ All of us have been _____ and all of us need healing.

⇒ Don't let _____ you've been hurt get in the way of your healing.

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. James 5:16 (NIV)

⇒ Your healing is not the _____, but the beginning for others.

John 9:4-16 (NIV)

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

⇒ Not everyone will _____ or celebrate your healing process.

John 9:35–38 (NIV)

⇒ The Lord not only wants to heal you, but _____ you.

⇒ Healing is _____ for those who know they need it.

John 9:39–41 (NIV)

Q—What healing do you need so you can help heal our world?

ANSWER KEY: wounded, how, end, understand, transform, only



Study & Discussion for Your Next Small Group

Theme: *Who really needs healing?*

Warm Up: Growing up, who inspired you the most because they were able overcome adversity?

Sermon Response: What was a “take-away” you received

from Sunday’s message?

Read & Discuss

John 9:1-7

- Why do you think the disciples asked the question regarding the blind man?
- What was the broader lesson Jesus was teaching them by His response?
- Why did Jesus heal him the way he did? How important is obedience in this miracle? How do you relate with the man regarding your trust in God?

John 9:16-18

- How did the Pharisees react to Jesus healing the man? What concerned them more than Jesus actually healing him?
- How can rule keeping get in the way of helping others?

John 9:24-25

- What do you think was the motive of the religious leaders in questioning the formerly blind man again?
- What was so powerful about the man’s simple response?
- How is that an example to us of pure, simple faith in Jesus?

John 9:35-38

- Why did Jesus ask this question of the formerly blind man when he reconnected with him? What was the response of the man?
- What was the religious leaders' response to what Jesus said about who is truly blind?
- What causes spiritual blindness and how do we overcome it?

Prayer: Who in your world needs healing (physical, emotional, relational, etc) that we can pray for? Share how God is answering prayer as well.