

Sermon Notes

Encounters with Jesus #13

“The Man Born Blind”

John 9:1-38

Intro

Big idea: Only Jesus can heal a certain kind of blindness.

1. Giving the blind man sight was a display of the work of God. v. 3
 1. Jesus sees a great need. v. 1
 2. The disciples have a one-track view of the cause of suffering. v. 2
 3. Jesus’ method of healing encourages faith. vs. 6, 7

- II. The validity of the healing is challenged.
 1. The neighbors are skeptical; want to know “How.” v. 10
 2. The Pharisees discredit Jesus as a “Sabbath-breaker.” v. 16
 3. The parents fear social pressure. v. 22
 4. The second interrogation leads to greater boldness. v. 27

- III. Jesus heals spiritual blindness.
 1. He pursues the man thrown out. v. 35
 2. Jesus presents the gospel. vs. 35-37
 3. The man believes and worships. v. 38

Q. How should we respond?