

WELCOME TO ADULT BIBLE STUDY

June 28, 2020

JUNE-AUGUST 2020: JESUS THE SERVANT

Unit 22: JESUS THE HEALER

06/07 – Jesus Heals Ten Lepers (Luke 17)

06/14 – Jesus Heals a Woman and Raises a Girl (Mark 5)

06/21 – Jesus Heals a Man at Bethesda (John 5)

06/28 – Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind (John 9)

LAST WEEK'S SESSION AT A GLANCE

We saw a man with a prolonged disability and a profound sense of hopelessness and despair. Jesus demonstrated compassion and grace as He helped this man who had no one else to help him. The man responded to Jesus in obedient action; however, the Jewish religious establishment responded much differently. Through this encounter Jesus revealed His identity as the Son of God – drawing an even stronger hostile response from the Jews.

***HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST WEEK'S
SCRIPTURE PASSAGE...***

JESUS HEALS A MAN AT BETHESDA (John 5)

John 5:2-7 – One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there...He said to him, "Do you want to be healed?"

John 5:8-15 – Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you."

John 5:16-18 – This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill Him, because not only was He breaking the Sabbath, but He was even calling God His own Father, making Himself equal with God.

THIS WEEK'S SESSION...

UNIT 22 - JESUS THE HEALER

Session 4 –

Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind

1. Jesus Came to be Light in the Darkness
(John 9:1-7)
2. Jesus Came to do the Works of God
(John 9:29-34)
3. Jesus Came to Confront Spiritual Blindness
(John 9:35-41)

THIS WEEK'S SESSION AT A GLANCE

The miracle of Jesus giving sight to a man born blind reveals His identity to those able and willing to see it. He is the light of the world to push back the darkness of sin, and He is the Son of God who came to do the works of His Father. Those who choose to remain in their pride cannot see Jesus for who He is, so they remain in their spiritual blindness and in need of hearing the gospel.

1. JESUS CAME TO BE LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

(John 9:1-7)

John 9:1 As He passed by, He saw a man blind from birth.

John 9:2 And His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

John 9:3 Jesus answered, "*It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him.*

John 9:4 We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work.

1. JESUS CAME TO BE LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

(John 9:1-7 cont'd)

John 9:5 *As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.*"

John 9:6 Having said these things, He spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then He anointed the man's eyes with the mud

John 9:7 and said to Him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

*“...who sinned... that
he was born blind?”*

There were some present at that very time who told Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And He answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."

- *Luke 13:1-5*

*“...Go, wash in the
pool of Siloam...”*



The pool of Siloam was uncovered in 2004 by workers repairing a sewer line. The pool is fed by the Gihon Spring via a tunnel dug by King Hezekiah approx. 700 BC.

*“...I am the light of
the world.”*

And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. *And God saw that the light was good.* And God separated the light from the darkness.

- *Genesis 1:3-4*

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. *For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.*

- 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

2. JESUS CAME TO DO THE WORKS OF GOD (John 9:29-34)

John 9:29 "We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from."

John 9:30 The man answered, "Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes.

John 9:31 We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, God listens to him.

John 9:32 Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind.

2. JESUS CAME TO DO THE WORKS OF GOD (John 9:29-34 cont'd)

John 9:33 If this man were not from God, He could do nothing."

John 9:34 They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out.

3. JESUS CAME TO CONFRONT SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS (John 9:35-41)

John 9:35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "*Do you believe in the Son of Man?*"

John 9:36 He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?"

John 9:37 Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you."

John 9:38 He said, "*Lord, I believe,*" and he worshiped him.

John 9:39 Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind."

3. JESUS CAME TO CONFRONT SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS (John 9:35-41)

John 9:40 Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, "Are we also blind?"

John 9:41 Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, 'We see,' your guilt remains.

“Do you believe...?”

... "The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes..."

– John 9:11

... "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

– John 9:17

He said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him.

– John 9:38

In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

- John 1:4-9

And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

- John 3:19-21

FILL IN THE BLANKS

P. 41 – Enslaved to Sin: Human beings are enslaved to sin, continually living with the propensity to transgress God's commandments whenever possible. It isn't until one experiences salvation through the work of Christ that he or she is able to overcome sin's enslavement through the power of the Holy Spirit.

For the law of the Spirit of life has set you
free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin
and death.

- *Romans 8:2*

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written *so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,* and that by believing you may have life in His name.

- John 20:30-31

In Closing...

"*You are the light of the world.*" A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, *let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.*"

- *Matthew 5:14-16*

NEXT WEEK

July 5, 2020

Unit 23: JESUS THE TEACHER

07/05 – Jesus Teaches About Discipleship (Matt. 5-7)

07/12 – Jesus Teaches About Cost of Discipleship (Lk.9;14)

07/19 – Jesus Teaches About Prayer (Luke 11;18)

07/26 – Jesus Teaches About Treasure (Luke 12)

08/02 – Jesus Teaches About the Good Shepherd (Jn. 10)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the
love of God, and the communion of the
Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

– *2 Corinthians 13:14*