

*As he was passing by, he saw a man blind from birth.*

*His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"*

*"Neither this man nor his parents sinned," Jesus answered.*

*"This came about so that God's works might be displayed in him.*

*We must do the works of him who sent me while it is day.*

*Night is coming when no one can work,*

*As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."*

*After he said these things he spit on the ground, made some mud from the saliva, and spread the mud on his eyes.*

*"Go," he told him, "wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means "Sent").*

*So he left, washed, and came back seeing.*

Question of the Healing			
<p>His neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar said, "Isn't this the one who used to sit begging?" Some said, "He's the one." Others were saying, "No, but he looks like him."</p> <p>He kept saying, "I'm the one."</p>	<p>"Truly I tell you, anyone who doesn't enter the sheep pen by the gate but climbs in some other way is a thief and a robber.</p> <p>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought all his own outside, he goes ahead of them. The sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will never follow a stranger; instead they will run away from him, because they don't know the voice of</p>	<p>Now a man was sick, Lazarus from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha.</p> <p>Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair, and it was her brother Lazarus who was sick. So the sisters sent a message to him: "Lord, the one you love is sick."</p> <p>When Jesus heard it, he said, "This sickness will not end in death but is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."</p>	<p>Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany where Lazarus was, the one Jesus had raised from the dead.</p> <p>So they gave a dinner for him there; Martha was serving them, and Lazarus was one of those reclining at the table with him. Then Mary took a pound of perfume, pure and expensive nard, anointed Jesus's feet, and wiped his feet with her hair. So the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.</p>

	<p>strangers.” Jesus gave them this figure of speech, but they did not understand what he was telling them.</p>		
<p>So they asked him, “Then how were your eyes opened?”</p> <p>He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and told me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So when I went and washed I received my sight.”</p> <p>“Where is he?” they asked.</p> <p>“I don’t know,” he said.</p>	<p>Jesus said again, “Truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep didn’t listen to them. I am the gate. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance.</p>	<p>Now Jesus loved Martha, her sister, and Lazarus.</p> <p>So when he heard that he was sick, he stayed two more days in the place where he was. Then after that, he said to the disciples, “Let’s go to Judea again.”</p> <p>“Rabbi,” the disciples told him, “just now the Jews tried to stone you, and you’re going there again?”</p> <p>“Aren’t there twelve hours in a day?” Jesus answered. “If anyone walks during the day, he doesn’t stumble, because he sees the light of this world. But if anyone walks during the night, he does stumble, because the light is not in him.”</p> <p>He said this, and then he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I’m on my way to wake him up.”</p> <p>Then the disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will get well.”</p> <p>Jesus, however, was speaking about his death,</p>	<p>Then one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot (who was about to betray him), said, “Why wasn’t this perfume sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?” He didn’t say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief. He was in charge of the money-bag and would steal part of what was put in it.</p> <p>Jesus answered, “Leave her alone; she has kept it for the day of my burial. For you always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.”</p> <p>Then a large crowd of the Jews learned he was there. They came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, the one he had raised from the dead. But the chief priests had decided to kill Lazarus also, because he was the reason many of the Jews were deserting them and believing in Jesus.</p>

		<p>but they thought he was speaking about natural sleep. So Jesus then told them plainly, “Lazarus has died. I’m glad for you that I wasn’t there so that you may believe. But let’s go to him.”</p> <p>Then Thomas (called “Twin” ) said to his fellow disciples, “Let’s go too so that we may die with him.”</p>	
<p>They brought the man who used to be blind to the Pharisees. The day that Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes was a Sabbath. Then the Pharisees asked him again how he received his sight.</p> <p>“He put mud on my eyes,” he told them. “I washed and I can see.”</p> <p>Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, because he doesn’t keep the Sabbath.” But others were saying, “How can a sinful man perform such signs? ”</p> <p>And there was a division among them.</p>	<p>“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, since he is not the shepherd and doesn’t own the sheep, leaves them and runs away when he sees a wolf coming. The wolf then snatches and scatters them. This happens because he is a hired hand and doesn’t care about the sheep.</p>	<p>When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Bethany was near Jerusalem (less than two miles away). Many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother.</p> <p>As soon as Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him, but Mary remained seated in the house. Then Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother wouldn’t have died. Yet even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.”</p> <p>“Your brother will rise again,” Jesus told her.</p>	<p>The next day, when the large crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm branches and went out to meet him. They kept shouting:</p> <p>“Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord — the King of Israel! ”</p> <p>Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written:</p> <p>Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion. Look, your King is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt.</p> <p>His disciples did not understand these things at first. However, when Jesus was glorified, then they</p>

Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me, even if he dies, will live. Everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this? "

"Yes, Lord," she told him, "I believe you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who comes into the world."

Having said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you."

As soon as Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. Jesus had not yet come into the village but was still in the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house consoling her saw that Mary got up quickly and went out. They followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to cry there.

As soon as Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and

remembered that these things had been written about him and that they had done these things to him.

Meanwhile, the crowd, which had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead, continued to testify. This is also why the crowd met him, because they heard he had done this sign. Then the Pharisees said to one another, "You see? You've accomplished nothing. Look, the world has gone after him! "

told him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother wouldn't have died! ”

When Jesus saw her crying, and the Jews who had come with her crying, he was deeply moved in his spirit and troubled. “Where have you put him? ” he asked.

“Lord,” they told him, “come and see.”

Jesus wept.

So the Jews said, “See how he loved him! ” But some of them said, “Couldn't he who opened the blind man's eyes also have kept this man from dying? ”

Again they asked the blind man, “What do you say about him, since he opened your eyes? ”

“He's a prophet,” he said.

The Jews did not believe this about him — that he was blind and received sight — until they summoned the parents of the one who had received his sight.

“I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me, just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father. I lay down my life for the sheep. But I have other sheep that are not from this sheep pen; I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. Then there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life so that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my

Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. “Remove the stone,” Jesus said.

Martha, the dead man's sister, told him, “Lord, there is already a stench because he has been dead four days.”

Jesus said to her, “Didn't I tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God? ”

So they removed the stone. Then Jesus raised his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you heard

Now some Greeks were among those who went up to worship at the festival. So they came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and requested of him, “Sir, we want to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.

Jesus replied to them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains by itself. But if it dies, it

	<p>own. I have the right to lay it down, and I have the right to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”</p>	<p>me. I know that you always hear me, but because of the crowd standing here I said this, so that they may believe you sent me.” After he said this, he shouted with a loud voice,“ Lazarus, come out! ” The dead man came out bound hand and foot with linen strips and with his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unwrap him and let him go.”</p> <p>Therefore, many of the Jews who came to Mary and saw what he did believed in him. But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done.</p>	<p>produces much fruit. The one who loves his life will lose it, and the one who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, he must follow me. Where I am, there my servant also will be. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.</p>
<p>They asked them, “Is this your son, the one you say was born blind? How then does he now see? ”</p> <p>“We know this is our son and that he was born blind,” his parents answered. “But we don’t know how he now sees, and we don’t know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he’s of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said these things because they were afraid of the Jews, since the Jews had</p>	<p>Again the Jews were divided because of these words. Many of them were saying, “He has a demon and he’s crazy. Why do you listen to him?”</p> <p>Others were saying, “These aren’t the words of someone who is demon-possessed. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind? ”</p>	<p>So the chief priests and the Pharisees convened the Sanhedrin and were saying, “What are we going to do since this man is doing many signs? If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation.”</p>	<p>“Now my soul is troubled. What should I say — Father, save me from this hour? But that is why I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name.”</p> <p>Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.”</p> <p>The crowd standing there heard it and said it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.”</p> <p>Jesus responded, “This voice came, not for me, but</p>

<p>already agreed that if anyone confessed him as the Messiah, he would be banned from the synagogue. This is why his parents said, “He’s of age; ask him.”</p>			<p>for you. Now is the judgment of this world. Now the ruler of this world will be cast out. As for me, if I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate what kind of death he was about to die.</p> <p>Then the crowd replied to him, “We have heard from the law that the Messiah will remain forever. So how can you say, ‘The Son of Man must be lifted up?’ Who is this Son of Man? ”</p>
<p>So a second time they summoned the man who had been blind and told him, “Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner.”</p> <p>He answered, “Whether or not he’s a sinner, I don’t know. One thing I do know: I was blind, and now I can see!”</p> <p>Then they asked him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?”</p> <p>“I already told you,” he said, “and you didn’t listen. Why do you want to hear it again? You don’t want to</p>	<p>Then the Festival of Dedication took place in Jerusalem, and it was winter. Jesus was walking in the temple in Solomon’s Colonnade. The Jews surrounded him and asked, “How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.”</p> <p>“I did tell you and you don’t believe,” Jesus answered them. “The works that I do in my Father’s name testify about me. But you don’t believe because you are not of my sheep. My sheep hear my voice, I</p>	<p>One of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, “You know nothing at all! You’re not considering that it is to your advantage that one man should die for the people rather than the whole nation perish.” He did not say this on his own, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus was going to die for the nation, and not for the nation only, but also to unite the scattered children of God. So from that day on they plotted to kill him.</p> <p>Jesus therefore no longer</p>	<p>Jesus answered, “The light will be with you only a little longer. Walk while you have the light so that darkness doesn’t overtake you. The one who walks in darkness doesn’t know where he’s going. While you have the light, believe in the light so that you may become children of light.” Jesus said this, then went away and hid from them.</p> <p>Even though he had performed so many signs in their presence, they did not believe in him. This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet, who said:</p>

<p>become his disciples too, do you? ”</p> <p>They ridiculed him: “You’re that man’s disciple, but we’re Moses’s disciples. We know that God has spoken to Moses. But this man — we don’t know where he’s from.”</p> <p>“This is an amazing thing!” the man told them. “You don’t know where he is from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God doesn’t listen to sinners, but if anyone is God-fearing and does his will, he listens to him. Throughout history no one has ever heard of someone opening the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he wouldn’t be able to do anything.”</p> <p>“You were born entirely in sin,” they replied, “and are you trying to teach us? ”</p> <p>Then they threw him out.</p>	<p>know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all. No one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. I and the Father are one.”</p> <p>Again the Jews picked up rocks to stone him.</p> <p>Jesus replied, “I have shown you many good works from the Father. For which of these works are you stoning me? ”</p> <p>“We aren’t stoning you for a good work,” the Jews answered, “but for blasphemy, because you — being a man — make yourself God.”</p> <p>Jesus answered them, “Isn’t it written in your law, I said, you are gods? If he called those to whom the word of God came ‘gods’ — and the Scripture cannot be broken — do you say, ‘You are blaspheming’ to the one the Father set apart and sent into the world, because I said: I am the Son of God? If I am not doing my Father’s works, don’t believe</p>	<p>walked openly among the Jews but departed from there to the countryside near the wilderness, to a town called Ephraim, and he stayed there with the disciples.</p>	<p>Lord, who has believed our message?</p> <p>And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?</p> <p>This is why they were unable to believe, because Isaiah also said:</p> <p>He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts, so that they would not see with their eyes or understand with their hearts, and turn, and I would heal them.</p> <p>Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke about him.</p>
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	<p>me. But if I am doing them and you don't believe me, believe the works. This way you will know and understand that the Father is in me and I in the Father." Then they were trying again to seize him, but he escaped their grasp.</p>		
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<p>Jesus heard that they had thrown the man out, and when he found him, he asked, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"</p> <p>"Who is he, Sir, that I may believe in him?" he asked.</p> <p>Jesus answered, "You have seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you."</p> <p>"I believe, Lord!" he said, and he worshiped him.</p> <p>Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, in order that those who do not see will see and those who do see will become blind."</p> <p>Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard these things and asked him, "We aren't blind too, are we?"</p> <p>"If you were blind," Jesus told them, "you wouldn't have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.</p>	<p>So he departed again across the Jordan to the place where John had been baptizing earlier, and he remained there. Many came to him and said, "John never did a sign, but everything John said about this man was true." And many believed in him there.</p>	<p>Now the Jewish Passover was near, and many went up to Jerusalem from the country to purify themselves before the Passover. They were looking for Jesus and asking one another as they stood in the temple, "What do you think? He won't come to the festival, will he?" The chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that if anyone knew where he was, he should report it so that they could arrest him.</p>	<p>Nevertheless, many did believe in him even among the rulers, but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, so that they would not be banned from the synagogue. For they loved human praise more than praise from God.</p>

*Jesus cried out,  
 “The one who believes in me believes not in me, but in him who sent me.  
 And the one who sees me sees him who sent me.  
 I have come as light into the world,  
 so that everyone who believes in me would not remain in darkness.  
 If anyone hears my words and doesn’t keep them, I do not judge him;  
 for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world.  
 The one who rejects me and doesn’t receive my sayings has this as his judge:  
 The word I have spoken will judge him on the last day.  
 For I have not spoken on my own,  
 but the Father himself who sent me has given me a command to say everything I have said.  
 I know that his command is eternal life.  
 So the things that I speak, I speak just as the Father has told me.”*

John 9:1-7			
9:9-41	10:1-42	11:1-57	12:1-43
12:44-50			

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