

**[Week 7]****Miracle 6****Heals a blind man****John 9:1-41**

Now this is the sixth miracle which Jesus had performed. This is also a lengthy testimony and discourse given by John concerning the restoration of a blind man's eyesight. John will also give us another lengthy discourse in [John.11:1-57] But here after Jesus restores this man's eyesight the man will get confronted and will be questioned by the pharisees about the identity of Jesus. But John will also show us more details here on the identity of Jesus being the prophet, the Messiah and the Son of God. [John.9:1-14] says this;

**John 9:1 -41**

**1** As Jesus passed by, He saw a man who had been blind from birth. **2**And His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he would be born blind?" **3**Jesus answered, "It was neither that this man sinned, nor his parents; but it was so that the works of God might be displayed in him. **4**We must carry out the works of Him who sent Me as long as it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. **5**While I am in the world, I am the Light of the world." **6**When He had said this, He spit on the ground, and made mud from the saliva, and applied the mud to his eyes, **7**and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is translated, Sent). So he left and washed, and came back seeing. **8**So the neighbors, and those who previously saw him as a beggar, were saying, "Is this not the one who used to sit and beg?" **9**Others were saying, "This is he," still others were saying, "No, but he is like him." The man himself kept saying, "I am the one." **10**So they were saying to him, "How then were your eyes opened?" **11**He answered, "The man who is called Jesus made mud, and spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so I went away and washed, and I received sight." **12** And they said to him, "Where is He?" He said, "I do not know."**13**They brought the man who was previously blind to the Pharisees. **14**Now it was a Sabbath on the day that Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes.

**15** Then the Pharisees also were asking him again how he received his sight. And he said to them, "He applied mud to my eyes, and I washed, and I see." **16**Therefore some of the Pharisees were saying, "This man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath." But others were saying, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And there was dissension among them. **17**So they said again to the man who was blind, "What do you say about Him, since He opened your eyes?" And he said, "He is a prophet."**18**The Jews then did not believe it about him, that he had been blind and had received sight, until they called the parents of the very one who had received his sight, **19**and they questioned them, saying, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? Then how does he now see?"

20 His parents then answered and said, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; 21but how he now sees, we do not know; or who opened his eyes, we do not know. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." 22His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already reached the decision that if anyone confessed Him to be Messiah, he was to be excommunicated from the synagogue. 23It was for this reason that his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." 24So for a second time they summoned the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give glory to God; we know that this man is a sinner." 25He then answered, "Whether He is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." 26So they said to him, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" 27He answered them, "I told you already and you did not listen; why do you want to hear it again? You do not want to become His disciples too, do you?" 28They spoke abusively to him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. 29We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where He is from." 30The man answered and said to them, "Well, here is the amazing thing, that you do not know where He is from, and yet He opened my eyes! 31We know that God does not listen to sinners; but if someone is God-fearing and does His will, He listens to him. 32Since the beginning of time it has never been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. 33If this man were not from God, He could do nothing." 34They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and yet you are teaching us?" So they put him out.

35Jesus heard that they had put him out, and upon finding him, He said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" 36He answered by saying, "And who is He, Sir, that I may believe in Him?" 37Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him, and He is the one who is talking with you." 38And he said, "I believe, Lord." And he worshiped Him. 39And Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, so that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind." 40Those who were with Him from the Pharisees heard these things and said to Him, "We are not blind too, are we?" 41Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now that you maintain, 'We see,' your sin remains.

[Verse 1]NOTE:

[Verse-2-3]NOTE:

[Mark.12:14, 19]

[Ex.34:7]NOTE:

[Job.4:7, 8:4, 11:6]NOTE:

[Verse4]NOTE:

[Verse 5]NOTE:

[Verses 6-7]NOTE:

[\*See Handout-Place of the pool of Sheelo'ah]

[John.7:37-39] which says;

**37Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. 38The one who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.'" 39But this He said in reference to the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.**

[Gen.40:10]NOTE:

[\*See Handout- Shiloh a name for the Messiah]

[John.7:37-39]NOTE:

[Gen.40:10]NOTE:

[Verse 7]NOTE:

[Verses 8-14]NOTE:

[Verse 15]NOTE:

[Verses 17-21]NOTE:

[Verse 22]NOTE:

[Verses 20-21]NOTE

[Verse 22-23]NOTE:

[\*See Handout-Jewish thoughts on Jews who accept Jesus as Messiah]

[Verses 24-25]NOTE:

**[Verses 26-29]NOTE:**

**[Verses 30-33]NOTE:**

**[Verse 33-34]NOTE:**

**[Verses 35-38]NOTE:**

It also describes Jesus;

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**NOTE:**

[\*See Handout-Son of man]

[Verses 35-38]NOTE:

[Verse 37]NOTE:

[Ex.20:3-5 & Deut. 5:7-10] and this is what it says;

**Ex.20:3You shall have no other gods before Me.4You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in the heavens above, on the earth below, or in the waters beneath. 5You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on their children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me,**

**[AND]Deut.5:7-10**

**7You shall have no other gods before Me.8You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in the heavens above, on the earth below, or in the waters beneath. 9You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on their children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, 10but showing loving devotion to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments**

Now, I think it's interesting here that the Jewish people, the man, and the nation knew that the mosaic law said that the only one to whom you shall bow down too, and give worship too is God alone. In fact, there is a prayer that we say in the synagogue on the sabbath affirming that God is one God [\*See Handout-The Shema]. We call it the Shema as it's found in [Deut.6:4-9] which says;

**4"Hear, Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one! 5And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. 6These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. 7And you shall repeat them diligently to your sons and speak of them when you sit in your house, when you walk on the road, when you lie down, and when you get up. 8You shall also tie them as a sign to your hand, and they shall be as frontlets on your forehead. 9You shall also write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.**

NOTE:

[Ex.22:20 & Deut.13:1-18,17:2-7]

[John 10:29-30]

[Verses 39-41]NOTE:

[Verses 40-41] NOTE:

**Reason for the Miracle**

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