

Gospel of John

Study Questions

Chapter 9:

1. What was Jesus's primary stated purpose in allowing the man to be born blind, according to the commentary's interpretation of verse 3?
2. In what two distinct ways did Jesus's "work" and "light" continue after His earthly ministry ("the night"), as explained in the commentary?
3. The commentary uses the healed man's journey of faith as an analogy for salvation. What four stages did his understanding of Jesus progress through, culminating in worship?
4. Why did the Pharisees conclude that Jesus was "not from God," and what rule did they claim He had broken?
5. What distinction does the commentary make between **unbelief** and the **disbelief** demonstrated by the Pharisees?
6. What specific action did the parents of the healed man take that demonstrated their fear of the Jewish authorities, and what punishment were they trying to avoid?
7. What was the significant meaning of the healed man's simple, four-word testimony against the Pharisees' convoluted questioning (Verse 25)?
8. The commentary notes that the healing of a person **born blind** was unprecedented. What Old Testament miracles does the text contrast this with to emphasize its uniqueness?
9. According to the commentary, what was the "mean-spirited and spiteful action" the Pharisees took against the healed man when they could not refute his logic?
10. Jesus said He came for "judgment" (v. 39). How did Jesus define this judgment in terms of two resulting groups (the spiritually "blind" and those who "see")?