**THANK GOD HE LOOKED MY WAY**

**John 9:1,6-7**

[**1**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-1/) **And as *Jesus* passed by, he saw a man which was blind from *his* birth.**

[**6**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-6/) **When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,**

[**7**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-7/) **And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.**

**INTRO:**

**1. Notice the Purpose**

**John 9:2-3 [2](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-2/" \o "John 9:2 KJV verse detail) And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?** [**3**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-3/) **Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.**

**\*\*We will not always understand why we go through things as Christians, but God knows, and God has a plan!**

**2. Notice the People**

**John 9:8-10 [8](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-8/" \o "John 9:8 KJV verse detail) The neighbours therefore, and they which before had seen him that he was blind, said, Is not this he that sat and begged?** [**9**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-9/) **Some said, This is he: others *said*, He is like him: *but* he said, I am *he*.** [**10**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-10/)**Therefore said they unto him, How were thine eyes opened?**

**\*\*They have a hard time with Bickering and Believing.**

**3. Notice the Parents**

**John 9:19, 23 [19](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-19/" \o "John 9:19 KJV verse detail)And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see?**

[**23**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-23/) **Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.**

**\*\*They claimed their son. They didn’t defend him for fear.**

**4. Notice the Pharisees**

**John 9:13-16, 24-27** [**13**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-13/) **They brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind.** [**14**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-14/) **And it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes.** [**15**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-15/) **Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.** [**16**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-16/)**Therefore said some of the Pharisees, This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the sabbath day.**

[**24**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-24/) **Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner.** [**25**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-25/) **He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner *or no*, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.** [**26**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-26/)**Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?** [**27**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-27/)**He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear *it* again? will ye also be his disciples?**

**\*\*The Pharisees refused to believe that Jesus healed this man and refused to believe He was the Son of God. So they decided that Jesus was a sinner and threw the former blind guy out of the church for believing upon Jesus.**

**5. Notice the Peacemaker**

**John 9:35-38** [**35**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-35/) **Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?** [**36**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-36/) **He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?** [**37**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-37/)**And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee.** [**38**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-38/) **And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.**

**\*\*Jesus looked his way again, and fixed his problem!**

**I. JESUS LOOKED MY WAY WITH CARE**

**John 9:1** [**1**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-1/) **And as *Jesus* passed by, he saw a man which was blind from *his* birth.**

**\*\*I’m sure glad that when I was blinded by sin and could not see the Savior nor my sins, Jesus looked my way with care!**

**A. He Looked My Way and Cared about my Soul!**

**1. My soul was Dark!**

**2. My soul was Dirty!**

**\*\*Jesus could have looked the other way, but instead, He looked my way and cared about me!**

**Illustration: The devil was a thief and a robber that had left me to die. Strangers and worldly people passed by and left me alone with no help. They just looked the other way. However, the good Samaritan, Jesus, passed by my way. Oh, and He looked my way and cared about me! He cared for my wounds and restored me. He has made sure I’ve been taken care of ever since that blessed day! Even though my life was dark and dirty, He looked my way and cared for me!**

**B. He Looked My Way and Cared about my Salvation!**

**John 9:35** [**35**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/John-9-35/) **Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?**

**1. He saved me and made me apart of the Family!**

**2. He saved me and made me apart of the Flock!**

**\*\*I’m so thankful that He looked my way!**

**C. He Looked My Way and Cared about my Safety!**

**1. God’s House is a place of Safety!**

**Illustration: The good Samaritan took the wounded man to the Innkeeper and said take care of him until I get back!**

**2. God’s Heaven is a Place of Safety**

**\*\*One day all of God’s children will be in Heaven and we will be safe forevermore! No more death, disease, disasters, devastations, or devils to deal with.**

**\*\*Thank God, Jesus looked my way and cared about my Soul, my Salvation, and my Safety!**

**II. JESUS LOOKED MY WAY WITH COMPASSION**

**Matthew 9:35-36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.**

**\*\*Thank God Jesus looked my way with compassion or . . .**

**A. I Would Not Have A Home**

**1. His compassion gave me a Good Home!**

**a. Jesus lives in my Home!**

**b. Joy lives in my Home!**

**2. His compassion gave me a Glorious Home!**

**B. I Would Not Have A Hope**

**1. No hope leads to Heartache!**

**2. No hope leads to Hell!**

**\*\*Jesus looked my way with compassion and said, “I’m going to save Scott Thomas from Heartache and Hell!”**

**C. I Would Not Have A Help**

**1. Jesus helps me overcome the Trials of Life.**

**2. Jesus helps me overcome the Temptations in Life.**

**3. Jesus helps me overcome the Troubles in Life.**

**\*\*Can you imagine how bad life would be if we did not have the help of the Lord?**

**D. I Would Not Have A Herdsman**

**\*\*We’d be Scattered and Starving without our Shepherd!**

**III. JESUS LOOKED MY WAY WITH CLEANSING**

**A. We Need to be Cleansed from Sin!**

**I John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**1. We must be cleansed from our Hideous Sins!**

**2. We must be cleansed from our Horrifying Sins!**

**3. We must be cleansed from our Hellish Sins!**

**\*\*Sin is going to Hell, Fire, and Brimstone! If sin is in your heart then you are attached to it, and it is attached to you. Where sin goes, you will go! Sin is going to Hell!**

**\*\*Only Jesus can cleanse you and wash you and set you free from sin!**

**\*\*I’m thankful for the day the Lord looked my way and said, “I’ll cleanse you from sin if you will come unto me!”**

**B. We Need to be Cleansed from Self!**

**II Corinthians 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.**

**\*\*Jesus cleanses us from sin, and teaches us to cleanse ourselves from all the filthy flesh and spirit we live with.**

**1. Cleanse yourself from the Filthy Flesh**

**\*\*The flesh desires the worldliness and wickedness, but we must cleanse ourselves from the flesh by living a sanctified life!**

**2. Cleanse yourself from the Filthy Feelings**

**\*\*The little “s” in spirit in the scripture refers to your feelings and attitude. Some folks feelings need to be cleansed because their feelings are geared more toward the pleasures of the world rather than the power and peace of worshipping the Lord!**

**IV. JESUS LOOKED MY WAY WITH COMFORT**

**II Corinthians 1:3-4** [**3**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Corinthians-1-3/) **Blessed *be* God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;** [**4**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Corinthians-1-4/)**Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.**

**\*\*He Still Looking My Way, and . . .**

**A. Comforting Me with His Power**

**Isaiah 49:13 Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted.**

**1. The Comfort of the Spirit gives me Revival!**

**2. The Comfort of the Savior gives me Rest!**

**\*\*I’m so glad that the Lord looks my way sometimes and sees that I need reviving and rest and sends His power my way to help me!**

**B. Comforting Me with His Presence**

[**Isaiah 51:12**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Isaiah-51-12/)**- I, even I, am he that comforteth you:**

**1. His Presence comforts me when I feel Alone.**

**2. His Presence comforts me when I feel Afraid.** **3. His Presence comforts me when I feel Adrift.**

**\*\*We cannot stay steady and stay on this coarse to home without the presence of the Lord!**

**C. Comforting Me with His Promises**

[**Psalms 119:50**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-119-50/)**- This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath quickened me.**

**1. His Word is a Covenant and an Oath to His Children.**

**2. His Word is a Commitment and an Obligation to His Children.**

**CLOSE**

**\*\*That blind man would have still been blind had not the Lord looked his way.**

**\*\*That blind man would have still been lost and in hell had not the Lord looked his way.**

**\*\*I look way back in the distant past and in the not so distant past and realize I would have been in a mess had not the Lord looked my way!**

**\*\*Are you not glad He looked your way with Care, Compassion, Cleansing, and Comfort for your soul?**

**\*\*Do you need the Lord to look your way today? Then why not come and pray and say Lord please look my way for I need you today!**

**\*\*Maybe you need to come and thank Him for looking your way with Care, Compassion, Cleansing, and Comfort as only He can do. Come pray now!**