

**Blind Faith**  
*John 9:1-7, 24-27*

**INTRODUCTION:**

1. One must adopt the proper attitude toward affliction, suffering and affliction.

(a) It is not evidence of personal or familial sin.

**John 9:2** And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?

**John 9:34** They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they cast him out.

2. We must ask the right question...Not how? But how?

3. We must ask “How can I bring glory to God by showing His works in my life?”

**Isaiah 43:7** *Even* every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

**Ecclesiastes 12:13** Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this *is* the whole *duty* of man.

**Revelation 4:11** Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

**1 Corinthians 10:31** Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

(a) Moses

**Exodus 4:10-12** And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I *am* not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I *am* slow of speech, and of a slow tongue. **11** And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD? **12** Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

(b) The answer lies in having a “blind” faith.

**DISCUSSION:**

I. **It is an obedient faith, vv. 6-11.**

A. Notice that he was not healed until he obeyed what Jesus told him to do.

B. We don't have to see the “sense” in it. We need to obey, **II Kings 5:9-14**.

- i. Had he done something “sensible” (medicines, herbs, or a smack on the head) who would have gotten the glory?

## II. It is a courageous faith, vv. 17-34.

A. We need to be more concerned with what God thinks than what man thinks.

**Acts 5:11** And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

**Acts 9:31** Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.

B. One of the greatest fears people experience is the fear of what other people think.

- i. Public speaking, Evangelism, Confrontation over sin

C. The dead and dying have nothing to lose

**Galatians 2:20** I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

## III. It is a worshipping faith, vv. 35-38.

A. Weak worship is a sign of weak faith.

B. Sometimes it is a sign of fear (what others think)

C. IF we believe what we SAY we believe can we do anything but worship.

## CONCLUSION: What does all this have to do with a “blind” faith, vv. 39-41

1. The Pharisees that they could see, that is, they thought they had all the answers. There are none so blind as those who will not see.
2. When we rely on God for the answers (blindness) He gives us true sight.
3. We show the work of God's grace in our life and bring glory to Him through “blind faith,

**Ephesians 1:6** To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

**Ephesians 1:12** That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

**Ephesians 1:14** Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

**Ephesians 2:8-9**