

John 9 — One Thing I Know

John 9:25 (with 9:11 · 9:17 · 9:33 · 9:38) · For posting on YouTube & Facebook. Use the overview for the description; add the prompt and links wherever they fit.

VIDEO OVERVIEW (post-ready)

In John 9, Jesus heals a man born blind — and then something quietly wonderful happens: the man starts to grow. Watch how he talks about Jesus as the pressure mounts. At first he's just *"the man called Jesus"* (9:11). Pushed by the Pharisees, he says, *"He is a prophet"* (9:17). Cornered and cross-examined, he reasons his way higher: *"If this man were not from God, he could do nothing"* (9:33). And when Jesus comes and finds him after he's been thrown out of the synagogue, he falls down: **"Lord, I believe"** (9:38). He doesn't have the training his interrogators have. When they try to trap him, he simply says, **"One thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see"** (9:25). His understanding of Jesus gets bigger every time he opens his mouth — and the religious experts get blinder every time they open theirs. This week's reading follows that staircase: a man with almost no answers and one undeniable experience, climbing all the way up to worship.

GO DEEPER — STUDY PROMPT FOR VIEWERS

Read John 9 with a pen and write down, in order, every name or title the healed man gives Jesus: "the man called Jesus" (v.11), "a prophet" (v.17), "from God" (v.33), and finally "Lord" (v.38). Notice that his boldness grows the harder they push — by verse 27 he's asking the Pharisees whether they'd like to become Jesus' disciples too. Then set his climb beside the Samaritan woman's in **John 4** and Thomas's in **John 20**, and ask one honest question: where am I on that staircase right now?

KEY PASSAGES REFERENCED

Elsewhere in John: 9:11 · 9:17 · 9:25 · 9:33 · 9:35–38 · 4:19, 29 · 20:28

Other Gospels: Mark 8:22–25

Rest of Scripture: 1 John 5:20

RESOURCES & FURTHER READING

Expository Thoughts on John — Chapter 9

J.C. Ryle

<https://www.gracegems.org/Ryle/j09.htm>

On the healed man's bold, growing witness — "I was blind, now I see" as the plainest evidence of a real work of grace.

The Man Born Blind (Part 2)

R.C. Sproul — Ligonier Ministries

<https://learn.ligonier.org/sermons/man-born-blind-part-2>

Walks the interrogation of John 9:13–25, where the man climbs from "he is a prophet" to defying the Pharisees to their faces.

For the Love of God — John 9

The Gospel Coalition

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/devotionals/read-the-bible/exodus-30-john-9-proverbs-6-galatians-5/>

On the great reversal of the chapter: the blind man comes to see, while those certain they already see go blind.