

Lesson 65: John 9:39, 13-16

1. **Chapter 9 Theme:** _____
2. **Read v39:** Characteristic 7 of a Spiritual Person is that he knows that he was _____, but now he _____.
 - a. How did you perceive the world before and after you were saved?
 - b. Once a person is saved, his or her _____ to _____ is removed which enables that person to realize just how _____ he or she really was.
 - c. I used Paul earlier to illustrate how religious intellectuals think they see but they are really spiritually blind. Allow me to use him again to illustrate the _____ that the Lord gives his children. *Read Phps 3:7-10.*
3. **In Summary:**
 - a. John has used this contrast to enable us to see and understand the _____ of spiritual blindness.
 - b. Mark 8:22-26 provides additional insights into this illness:
 - 1) Why did Jesus heal this man in two stages? Why, after the first stage, did this man “see men as trees, walking”?
 - 2) Jesus used the healing of this blind man to allow us to see how _____ people who have not been _____ of their spiritual blindness.
 - a) *Read Matthew 3:7-10.*
 - b) Until a person is _____ of his or her spiritual blindness, that person is nothing more than a _____, which is waiting to be chopped down and cast into God’s _____.
4. **Read v13-16: Division #2**
 - a. The second division is concerning the _____ of Jesus. The people are divided in their opinion as to the _____ of His _____.
 - b. Jesus’ position on this issue was to let His _____ speak for Him.
 - 1) The example of John’s disciples - *Read Matthew 11:2-5:*

- a) What did Jesus ask these two men to do?
- b) Why did not Jesus just answer their question directly?
- 2) The example of our newly created spiritual person:
 - a) What is our spiritual person doing in verses 31-33?
 - b) What is our spiritual person doing in verses 35-38?

5. Homework: Read chapter 10 and determine its overall theme.