

John 9 • The Cure, the Controversy, & the Confession

1. (v.1-7) **The Cure**
 - a. The dual meaning for the unsaved:
 - i. The unsaved are **blind**.
 - ii. The unsaved are **begging**.
 - iii. The unsaved are **hopeless**.
 - b. Christ's approach to save sinners:
 - i. Christ comes in **grace**.
 - ii. Christ **irritates** the sinner.
 - iii. Christ cures by His **power**.
 - iv. Christ's cure **glorifies** God.
 - v. Christ's cure is **noticed** by others.

2. (v.8-34) **The Controversy**
 - a. They attempt to **suppress** the name of Christ.
 - b. They try to remain **uninvolved**.
 - c. They attack the **divine** part of His incarnation. ("He's not God.")
 - d. They attack the **earthly** part of His incarnation. ("He's a sinner.")

3. (v.35-41) **The Confession**
 - a. It's a picture of coming out of spiritual darkness into the Light of Christ.
 - i. **"The man who is called Jesus"** (v.11)
 - ii. **"A prophet"** (v.17)
 - iii. **"a man of God"** (v.31-33)
 - iv. **"the Son of Man"** (v.35-38)
 - b. A Christian is...
 - i. ...someone who has light in their **heart**. (2 Cor. 4:6)
 - ii. ...someone who **IS** a light to the **world**. (Mt. 5:14)
 - iii. ...someone who **walks** in the Light. (1 Jn. 1:6-7)
 - iv. ...someone who produces the **fruit** of light. (Eph. 5:8-9)
 - c. The same Light can either blind or illuminate. It's a picture of **accepting** or **rejecting** God's Word.