

that you would believe

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

SERMON NOTES

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WHY DO I KEEP GETTING STEPPED ON?

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Chapter 1: **Jesus is God!**

Chapter 2: **Jesus turns water into wine!**

Chapter 3: **Jesus talks with Nicodemus!**

Chapter 4: **Jesus talks with a woman at a well!**

Chapter 5: **Jesus heals a man at a pool!**

Chapter 6: **Jesus feeds 5000+ people!**

Chapter 7: **Jesus promises living water!**

Chapter 8: **Jesus talks with an adulteress woman!**

Chapter 9: **Jesus heals a blind man!**

JOHN 9:8-21, 24-34 (NLT)

⁸His neighbors and others who knew him as a blind beggar asked each other, "Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?" ⁹Some said he was, and others said, "No, he just looks like him!" But the beggar kept saying, "Yes, I am the same one!" ¹⁰They asked, "Who healed you? What happened?" ¹¹He told them, "The man they call Jesus made mud and spread it over my eyes and told me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash yourself.' So I went and washed, and now I can see!" ¹²"Where is he now?" they asked. "I don't know," he replied. ¹³Then they took the man who had been blind to the Pharisees, ¹⁴because it was on the Sabbath that Jesus had made the mud and healed him. ¹⁵The Pharisees asked the man all about it. So he told them, "He put the mud over my eyes, and when I washed it away, I could see!" ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, "This man Jesus is not from God, for he is working on the Sabbath." Others said, "But how could an ordinary sinner do such miraculous signs?" So there was a deep division of opinion among them. ¹⁷Then the Pharisees again questioned the man who had been blind and demanded, "What's your opinion about this man who healed you?" The man replied, "I think he must be a prophet." ¹⁸The Jewish leaders still refused to believe the man had been blind and could now see, so they called in his parents. ¹⁹They asked them, "Is this your son? Was he born blind? If so, how can he now see?" ²⁰His parents replied, "We know this is our son and that he was born blind, ²¹but we don't know how he can see or who healed him. Ask him. He is old enough to speak for himself..." ²⁴So for the second time they called in the man who had been blind and told him, "God should get the glory for this, because we know this man Jesus is a sinner." ²⁵"I don't know whether he is a sinner," the man replied. "But I know this: I was blind, and now I can see!" ²⁶"But what did he do?" they asked. "How did he heal you?" ²⁷"Look!" the man exclaimed. "I told you once. Didn't you listen? Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?" ²⁸Then they cursed him and said, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses! ²⁹We know God spoke to Moses,

but we don't even know where this man comes from." ³⁰"Why, that's very strange!" the man replied. "He healed my eyes, and yet you don't know where he comes from?" ³¹We know that God doesn't listen to sinners, but he is ready to hear those who worship him and do his will. ³²Ever since the world began, no one has been able to open the eyes of someone born blind. ³³If this man were not from God, he couldn't have done it." ³⁴"You were born a total sinner!" they answered. "Are you trying to teach us?" And they threw him out of the synagogue.

Question: Why do people suffer?

1. You suffer (you get stepped on) because of Adam's sin in the Garden!

GENESIS 3

2. You suffer (you get stepped on) because of the bad choices you and others have made!

GALATIANS 6:7 (NIV)

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.

3. You suffer (you get stepped on) because of Satan and the demons!

1 PETER 5:8 (NIV)

Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

4. You suffer (you get stepped on) because of your faith!

1 PETER 4:12-13a (NIV)

¹²Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ...

5. You suffer (you get stepped on) because God is disciplining you!

1 CORINTHIANS 11:28-30 (NIV)

²⁸A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. ²⁹For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. ³⁰That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep.

6. You suffer (you get stepped on) so that God can show off His glory through you!

JOHN 9:1-3 (NLT)

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