

# *Mysteries in the Gospel of John Season 9: God's Purpose in Everything*

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DISCOVERING  
THE JEWISH  
JESUS  
לגלות את ישוע היהודי

## Scripture

- **John 9:1-25**

As He passed by, He saw a man blind from birth. And His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he would be born blind? Jesus answered, “It was neither that this man sinned, nor his parents; but it was so that the works of God might be displayed in him. We must work the works of Him who sent Me as long as it is day; night is coming when no one can work.” When He had said this, He spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and applied the clay to his eyes, and said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which is translated, Sent). So he went away and washed, and came back seeing. Therefore, the neighbors, and those who previously saw him as a beggar, were saying, “Is not this the one who used to sit and beg?” Others were saying, “This is he. Still others were saying, “No, but he is like him.” He kept saying, “I am the one.” So they were saying to him, “How then were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man who is called Jesus made clay, and anointed my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash’; so I went away and washed, and I received sight.” They said to him, “Where is He?” He said, “I do not know.” They brought to the Pharisees the man who was formerly blind. Now it was a Sabbath on the day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also were asking him again how he received his sight. And he said to them, “He applied clay to my eyes, and I washed, and I see.” Therefore, some of the Pharisees were saying, “This man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath.” But others were saying, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, “What do you say about Him, since He opened your eyes?” And he said, “He is a prophet.” The Jews then did not believe it of him, that he had been born blind and received sight, until they called the parents of the very one who had received his sight, and questioned them, saying, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? Then how does he now see?” His parents answered them and said, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees, we do not know; or who opened his eyes, we do not know. Ask him; he is of age; he will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone confessed Him to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue. So a second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, “Give glory to God; we know that this man is a sinner.” He then answered, “Whether He is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.”

## **Other Scriptures**

- Matthew 23:8-9
- Ephesians 6:2
- I Corinthians 4:15
- Job 1:1
- Revelation 2:22
- Numbers 12:1-10; 21:5-7
- 2 Samuel 24:15
- Isaiah 45:5-7
- Numbers 16:31-32
- John 20:21-22
- Revelation 3:20

## **Main Points**

- Did you know, the first written record of the word “Rabbi” is in the New Testament?
- Search “Why is Jesus Called Rabbi” on You Tube.
- The Hebrew phrase Adon Olam means Master of the Universe.
- Shalom Aleichem-Hebrew for “peace unto you”.
- Search “Blind Woman Sees After 15 Years...Miraculously Healed” on You Tube.
- You can share your faith just by telling people what Jesus has done in your life.

## **Discussion Questions**

1. Tell the story of the man born blind in your words.
2. What thoughts immediately come to mind as you consider the events in this passage? Write them here.
3. What was the purpose of the miracle?
4. Is God able to bring healing to blind eyes today?
5. What does this passage teach us about giving away our faith today? What can you share with others outside the family of God about your experience with God? Write it here and take a moment to worship such a God as this.