

Transition:

While Jesus' ministry contains a beautiful display of miracles, it is also filled with life-changing wisdom. To some, wisdom opens blind eyes to see the goodness, faithfulness, and gospel message of our Lord Jesus Christ. To others, wisdom brings judgement against a closed mind and closed ears. We must be aware of a pride in which we may listen but not hear a thing.

Tell the story:

Tell the story (with passion!) the best as you can, don't stop and teach, try not to make points, just tell the story. Perhaps leave some parts out or make a mistake, just to see if your group catches it!

Rebuild the story:

Chronologically rebuild the story by asking questions. Have the group look for what was added or left out by looking in their Bibles. Then have someone else tell the story the best they can – just like you modeled the first time.

Discussion Questions:

1. To what purpose does Jesus heal the blind man? Is there more than one purpose?
2. How has Jesus removed the blindness from your own eyes? Tell me your story.

Fundamental:

The blind man's sight is given to him physically by way of the miracle Jesus performed, but something even greater was given. The blind man's eyes were opened to the truth of the Gospel, that Jesus is the long-awaited messiah and that He will bring salvation to all who choose Him. This revelation is met with the blind man calling Jesus Lord and then worshipping him. However, in stark contrast, the Pharisees could not see past their own pride. They continued to be blind.

Are you like the Pharisees or like the blind man in this story?

1. Has God's goodness in your life been met with your worship? (Psalm 145:1-7)
2. Are you bold enough to tell your testimony no matter what? (1 Peter 3:15)
3. Are you open to correction/reproof? (Proverbs 12:1 – 10:17 – 13:18.)
4. When you hear wisdom from God, is it a catalyst for change in your life?

Homework/Challenge:

1. Tell your testimony to someone of how Jesus healed your spiritual blindness.
2. Spend time in worship this week giving thanks to Jesus' for all His good gifts. (James 1:16-18)

Discipleship Tip:

Practically speaking, know who in your small group may still be walking in blindness. Practice telling testimonies in small group or one on one.

Prayer:

Lord, open our eyes to see all that you are revealing to us. May your wisdom be a catalyst for change in our lives. Help us to surrender all aspects of our lives to you.