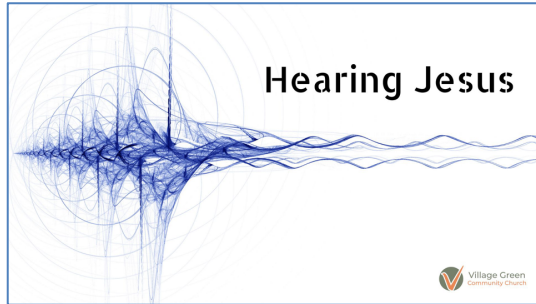


Life Group Study Notes



April 28, 2024

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

Blinded by the Light
John 9

Sometimes, even a miracle is not enough to open the hearts and minds of a skeptic. We can become so entrenched in our own confidence, that we miss what God is doing right in front of us.

Study – Discovering What the Bible Says

1. What was one major takeaway from last week's study? (Hint: It was on the disciples reacting to Jesus with the Samaritan woman).
2. Have you ever experienced a miracle, and if so, how did it affect your faith in God?

Read John Chapter 9.

3. The opening 2 verses illustrate a common misunderstanding about sin. Why is this line of thinking so prevalent? How easy is it to accept Jesus' answer for the man's blindness?
4. Those that knew the healed man, take him to the Pharisees. Why would they feel the necessity for this, and what concern is raised in vs. 14?

5. What was a governing principle for the Pharisees with respect to the Sabbath?
6. What is disturbing about vss. 16-23? What does this say to us about the negative potential of religion?
7. Though the Pharisees wanted a miraculous sign. What were they more interested in? What was the healed man more interested in?

Pharisees are upset by the _____, the _____, and the _____, the man only cares about the _____!
8. The story demonstrates the religious leaders moving from _____, to _____, to now _____ - an obvious _____.
9. What were the Pharisees more concerned with, and how did it affect their ability to listen? How did they Fail Jesus as Messiah?
10. What was the question at the end of the message and how would you begin to answer it?
11. Is there anything additional that you would like to add or discuss?

My Personal Journey

1. How is hearing Jesus shaping the way you hear others? Is it prompting you to lean into what others are saying more intently?

Coming Next Week

Foolish

1 Corinthians 1:18-23

The cross is the ultimate message of the mission and purpose of Jesus. We either see it as Christ proclaimed it, or we ignore it to our peril.

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Hearing Jesus, A 5-Part Series

Not everything Jesus said was easily understood. In fact, it turns out that Jesus used this as a means of finding out who was spiritually open to his teachings and identity. It is no different today. We can easily miss the essential truths about Jesus if our hearts have hardened the capacity for our ears to hear.

It is also the start of the next session of **Life Groups**. If you are interested in joining a group contact the church at office@villagegreenchurch.com.