

Discussion Questions for “Three Ones: One Story”

John 9:1-41 (Reading: 9:1-15), Pastor Tom Olson, Weekend of January 24th & 25th, 2026

Sermon Outline

Jesus is telling the true story.

- He's the Light of the World (v. 5).
- He's the Creator God (v. 6).
- He's the Sent One (v. 6).
- He's the Son of Man (vv. 35-37).
- He's the Christ (vv. 1-41).

The Pharisees are resistant to the story.

- They're skeptical of the miraculous (v. 18).
- They're misreading Scripture (v. 16).

The parents are afraid to tell the story (vv. 19-23).

The once-blind man shares the story (vv. 1-41).

- Do you have a story?
- Will you share your story?

Sermon Questions

1. In John 9, what strengthens...
 - a. ...your *knowledge* of Jesus?
 - b. ...your *love* for Jesus?
2. When we see the Pharisees in the Bible, we often (rightly) critique them. But do you find that you can relate to them in any way in John 9?
3. We see the dangerous power of fear in the blind man's parents.
 - a. Why is fear so powerful?
 - b. There are different kinds of fear – fear of physical harm, of ostracism, of loneliness, etc. With what kinds of fear have you struggled?
4. How can we combat the power of fear so that we'll stand for Christ?
 - a. Are there any clues in the courageous blind man here in John 9?
 - b. Are there other helpful Scriptures that come to mind?

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5. Like the blind man, are you *willing* to share the story of what Jesus has done for you?
 - a. What's hindered you from doing so over the years?
 - b. Connected to question 5, what can help you feel ready?
6. Are you *prepared* to share your story of faith in Christ?
 - a. Have you ever practiced it or written it down?
 - b. What else can you do to be prepared?
7. The blind man is *concise* throughout the passage. This is really helpful when talking with resistant people or when we only have a sliver of opportunity.
 - a. So, to that end, try to share your story – right now, with your LIFE Group – in 60 seconds or less.
 - b. In what you shared, did you talk enough about Jesus? That is, was it really a story about *Jesus* or was it just about *you*?
8. Any other takeaways from this passage or message?