

**INTRODUCTION**

- \* The Gospel according to John: John's presentation of Jesus as the Son of God who became the Lamb of God to take away the sins of the world, in order to strengthen and unify the church around this core belief.
- \* Over the past four weeks, we have considered the powerful declarations of Jesus regarding His divinity during the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles.
- \* Over the past two weeks, we have considered His declaration that He was YHWH through the metaphorical declaration: I AM the Light of the World and the Literal declarations: Unless you believe I am I AM, you will die in your sins; When you exalt the Son of Man, you will know I am I AM; and, finally, Before Abraham was, I am I AM!
- \* Today, we see Jesus, the Light of the World, perform a distinctly Messianic Miracle - giving sight to a blind man ... bringing light into this man's darkness (cf. Isaiah 29:18; 32:3-4; 35:5; 42:6-7, 16; 43:8)

**INSTRUCTION ... The Testimony of the Blind Man****I. HIS S \_\_\_\_\_****A. The Disciples' Question (v. 2-3, 34)****B. The Ultimate Purpose (v. 3-5; cf. Genesis 50:19-20; John 11:4,40; Romans 8:28-29)****II. HIS H \_\_\_\_\_****A. The W \_\_\_\_\_ of God (v. 4-6)****B. The F \_\_\_\_\_ of Man (v. 7)****III. HIS W \_\_\_\_\_****A. To His Neighbors (v. 8-12)****B. To The Pharisees (v. 13-33)**

## 1. 1ST TIME (v. 13-23)

## a. The Testimony of the Man (v. 13-17)

i. REGARDING THE A \_\_\_\_\_ OF JESUS (v. 13-15)

ii. REGARDING THE I \_\_\_\_\_ OF JESUS (v. 16-17)

## b. The Testimony of His Parents (v. 18-23; cf. Exodus 30:11-14; Numbers 1:2-3; Leviticus 27:1-7)

## 2. 2ND TIME (v. 24-33)

## a. The I \_\_\_\_\_ of the Council (v. 24)

## b. The C \_\_\_\_\_ of the Man (v. 25-33)

i. HIS TESTIMONY (v. 25)

ii. HIS BOLDNESS (v. 27)

iii. HIS DEFENSE (v. 30-33)

**IV. HIS E\_\_\_\_\_ BY THE PHARISEES (v. 34)**

**V. HIS P\_\_\_\_\_ OF FAITH**

**A. Jesus' I\_\_\_\_\_ with the Man (v. 35-38)**

**B. Jesus' D\_\_\_\_\_ of the Pharisees (v. 39-41)**

**INTROSPECTION**

- \* WHO IS JESUS TO YOU? IS HE YHWH INCARNATE?
  
- \* HOW BOLD OF A WITNESS ARE YOU OF WHAT JESUS HAS DONE IN YOUR LIFE?
  
- \* HAS THERE BEEN A TRANSFORMATION IN YOUR LIFE?
  
- \* IS THERE A NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK ... AND, THEREFORE, THE WAY YOU ACT?

**INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion**

- \* This man, who was born blind, gave both a witness of what happened to him and a defense of what he believed regarding Jesus. Being a "witness" is truthfully declaring - giving testimony to - what you know, saw, or experienced. What is your witness and testimony? Are you ready to give a defense - an answer - to any who asks you for a reason of the hope that is within you?