John pt20 - (9:1-41)
Blinded Israel and the Son of God

1. John 9:1-7 – The blind will see
        i. "In that day .. the blind will see "- Isa 29:14-18; 35:4-8
        ii. The Lord opens the eyes - Psa 146:8
    b. "Who did sin?" - Answer: Psalm 14:3 – There is none that doeth good
        i. Good and bad happen to all - Mat 5:45; Ecc 9:11
        ii. Circumstance not a result of God's judgment - Luke 13:1-4
            1. "By chance" - Luke 10:30-31
            2. Fleecing is not a proper thing – Judges 6:36
        iii. God accompanies his intervention with explanation

2. John 9:8-23 – The interrogation
    a. "it was the Sabbath" – the main excuse – 9:16
        i. They disbelieve the miracle and called Jesus a sinner – 9:17
    b. Parents proved he was indeed born blind – 9:18
    c. The parents lie instead of mentioning Jesus, why? - 9:21
    d. They feared to confess him - 9:22 → see also 'chief rulers' in 12:42-43
        i. Confession is required – Mat 10:32-33; Luke 12:8-9; 1 John 4:19
        ii. Paul addresses unbelieving non-confessing Jews - Rom 10:9

3. John 9:24-34 – Pharisees cast out the healed man
    a. "Give God the praise" – the irony of Pharisees saying this to a healed man
    b. "will you be his disciples" – the man provokes them - 9:27
    c. The man mocks their judgment – 9:30
    d. "He can do nothing" - 9:33 → see 5:19; 5:30

4. John 9:35-41 – Jesus identifies the blind guides of Israel
    a. "Jesus heard …and found him" – he takes in the outcast
    b. "Thou hast seen him…" – Deity declaration and he accepts worship
        i. Worship only God – Mat 4:10; Deut 6:13-14
    c. The blind = those who do not have the Light → John 8:12; 9:5
        i. The blind that see = those that have the Light
        ii. The Pharisees → Isa 6:9; 29:10; 29:10
            1. Blind leading the blind - Mat 15:14; 23:16
            2. Paul condemns them also – Rom 2:17,19 → Rom 11:25
            3. Claim to see but doubt Jesus = sin – John 15:22; 16:9
                a. An antichrist = 1 John 2:22
            4. Jesus can deliver them – John 8:36