Won't Believe Their Eyes John 9:14-41

Seeing Is Not Believing

- A. The Denial Of The Person That Healed This Blind Man (9:14-17)
 - 1. "Who ever heard of someone getting healed in that way" (9:14-15)
 Psalm 139:5
 - 2. It is more important to the Pharisees when this happened than what did happen (9:16)
 - 3. They wanted the man to agree with them (9:17) Matthew 16:13-14
- B. The Denial That A Miracle Even Occurred (9:18-23)
 - 1. Their search to deny the truth (9:18-20)
 - 2. The silence that also denies the truth (9:21-23)

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- C. The Denial To Follow Christ (9:24-33)
 - 1. The declaration of the self-righteous (9:24)
 - 2. The declaration of the seeing man (9:25)
 - 3. The determination of the seeing man (9:26-27)
 - 4. The demeaning of the seeing man (9:28-29)
 - 5. The defense by the seeing man (9:30-33)
 - a. Look at what happened (v 30)
 - b. Look at those who God answers (v 31)
 - c. Look at the power of God demonstrated (vv 32-33)

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- D. The Decisions Resulting From The Denials (9:34-41)
 - 1. The dismissal of the seeing man (9:34)
 - 2. The deliverance of the seeing man (9:35-38)
 - a. His circumstances (v 35)
 - b. His clarification (vv 36-37)
 - c. His confession (v 38)
 - **3.** The decree of Christ (9:39-41)
 - a. Christ's judgment pronounced (v 39)
 - b. Christ's judgment perceived (v 40)
 - c. The judgment prevails (v 41)

The Good Shepherd John 10:1-21

The sheep are the life of the Shepherd



A. There is only one true shepherd (10:1)

John 10:1

Verily, Verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

Isaiah 43:11

I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

B. He is the only one who can enter at the only door (10:2)

John 10:2

But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

C. He is to be obeyed at the door (10:3a)

John 10:3a

To him the porter openeth;

D. He possesses His flock (10:3-4)

John 10:3b-4

3 ... and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.

4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.

Psalm 95:7

For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. To day if ye will hear his voice,

E. His flock cannot be fooled (10:5)

John 10:5

And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.

2 Corinthians 2:11

Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

I John 4:6

We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

F. There is only one message (10:6)

John 10:6

This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them.

Romans 9:32

Wherefore? Because they sought it not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;

A. The claim (10:7)

John 10:7

Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.

John 14:6

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

B. The condemnation (10:8)

John 10:8

All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.

Jeremiah 50:6

My people hath been lost sheep: their shepherds have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their restingplace.

C. The contrast (10:9-11)

John 10:9-11

- 9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.
- 10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.
- 11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

D. The counterfeit (10:12-13)

John 10:12-13

12 But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep.

13 The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.

Matthew 6:24

No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

John 10:14-15

14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.

A. He knows His sheep (10:14b)

Psalm 103:7

For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.

- B. He is known (10:14c-15b)
 - 1. By the sheep (v 14c)
 - 2. By God the Father (v 15b)
- C. He will die for the sheep (10:15c)

John 15:13

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

D. He will increase the flock (10:16)

John 10:16

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

Ephesians 2:13-14

13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

E. He is loved by God the Father (10:17)

John 10:17

Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.

Romans 5:8

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

F. He is the power of resurrection John 10:18

No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.

Philippians 3:10

That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

IV. The Assessment Of The Shepherd (10:19-21)

John 10:19-21

- 19 There was a division therefore again among the Jews for these sayings.
- 20 And many of them said, He hath a devil, and is mad; why hear ye him?
- 21 Others said, These are not the words of him that hath a devil. Can a devil open the eyes of the blind?

IV. The Assessment Of The Shepherd (10:19-21)

A. The conflict caused (10:19)

Matthew 10:34-35

34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.

35 For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

IV. The Assessment Of The Shepherd (10:19-21)

B. The choices made (10:20-21)

Matthew 27:22

Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified.

Matthew 16:15-16

15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? 16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Is Jesus You Shepherd?

1 Peter 2:25

For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.