TO DISPLAY THE WORKS OF GOD

John 9:1-7 Key Verse: 9:3

"Neither this man nor his parents sinned,' said Jesus, 'but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him."

1. Who did Jesus see as he went along and what do we know about this man (1, 8, 20-21)? What is the assumed cause of blindness in the disciples' question (2)? How does a fatalistic world view like this affect our lives?

2. Read verse 3. How did Jesus view the man's blind condition? What can we learn from Jesus about how to view misfortune, tragedy, poor human circumstances, etc? What does it mean that the works of God might be displayed? How might the works of God be displayed in your life?

3. How does "day" and "night" apply to Jesus and to us (4-5)? Why does Jesus repeat here that he is the light of the world (8:12)? How is Jesus inviting his disciples and us to do the works of God?

4. What did Jesus do to heal the man (6-7)? In what way was this a test of the man's faith? What do we learn about Jesus in this passage?