

# FOLLOW THE SIGNS

## Sign #6: Giving Sight to the Blind

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His **neighbors** and others who knew him as a blind beggar **asked** each other, "Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said he was, and others said, "No, he just looks like him!" But the beggar kept saying, "Yes, I am the same one!" (John 9:8-9, NLT)

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Then they took the man who had been blind to the **Pharisees**, because it was on the **Sabbath** that Jesus had made the mud and healed him. The Pharisees asked the man all about it... Some of the Pharisees said, "This man Jesus is not from God, for he is working on the **Sabbath**." (John 9:13-16, NLT)

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The Jewish leaders still refused to believe the man had been blind and could now see, so they called in his **parents**. They asked them, "Is this your son? Was he born blind? If so, how can he now see?" His parents replied, "We know this is our son and that he was born blind, but **we don't know** how he can see or who healed him. Ask him. He is old enough to speak for himself." His parents said this because they were **afraid** of the Jewish leaders, who had announced that anyone saying Jesus was the Messiah would be expelled from the synagogue. (John 9:18-22, NLT)

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So for the second time they called in the man who had been blind and told him, "God should get the glory for this, because **we know** this man Jesus is a sinner." (John 9:24, NLT)

The Question is: Will we \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus?

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Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ us.

When Jesus heard what had happened, he found the man and **asked**, "Do you **believe** in the **Son of Man**?" The man answered, "**Who** is he, sir? **I want to believe** in him." (John 9:35-36, NLT)

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