



I See You

"I SEE YOU"

John 9:1-3(NLT): "As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. 'Rabbi,' his disciples asked him, 'why was this man born blind? Was it because of his own sins or his parents' sins?' 'It was not because of his sins or his parents' sins,' Jesus answered."

The disciples saw the problem. Jesus saw the person.

Self worth begins when invisibility ends.

Genesis 16:13(NLV): "So Hagar gave this name to the Lord Who spoke to her, 'You are a God Who sees.'"

Exodus 3:7(NIV): "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt."

John 9:6, 7(NIV): "After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. 'Go,' he told him, 'wash in the Pool of Siloam' (this word means "Sent"). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing." "Now no shrub had yet appeared on the earth and no plant had yet sprung up, for the Lord God had not sent rain on the earth and there was no one to work the ground, but streams came up from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground. Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being."

In Genesis, God formed the first human from dust and water.
In John 9, Jesus kneels in the dust and does the same thing again.

Everyone else saw a life defined by what was wrong.
Jesus saw a life worth creating again.

Seen → Restored → Sent

John 20:21(NIV): "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

Isaiah 6:8(NIV): "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'"

Luke 10:37(NIV): "Jesus told him, 'Go and do likewise.'"

Healing begins when someone truly sees you.
But healing grows when you begin seeing others.

At the beginning of the story he sits quietly by the road begging.
By the end of the story he is debating the most powerful religious leaders in the city.

CHANGE THE QUESTION

Stop asking:

What's wrong with them?

Start asking:

What happened to them?

THIS WEEK'S PRACTICE

SEE ONE PERSON

THE WORLD IS FULL OF PEOPLE
WHO ARE LOOKED AT BUT NEVER SEEN

All scriptures referenced are from the New International Version (NIV) translation of the Bible unless otherwise indicated.