

**Gospel of  
John**  
Thursday Morning  
Bible Class

**John 8:20 – 9:24**

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**I Am the Light of the World – 8:12-30**  
 †20- Again John says he was not arrested because it was not the right time. God is in control.  
 †21 – Jesus is going away (his death, resurrection and ascension), but they will die in their sin.  
 †22 – Jesus is on a spiritual plane, they are on a physical one.  
 †23 – They are of this world, Jesus is not of this world.

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**I Am the Light of the World – 8:12-30**  
 †24 – His judgement: They will die in their sins because they refuse to believe in Him.  
 †25 – Who is he? He has already told them.  
 †27 – They just don't get it. He is talking about God. They think he is talking about someone back in Galilee.  
 †28 – A direct reference to his crucifixion.

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**The Truth will Set You Free – 8:31-38**

†31 – Some believe, and Jesus teaches them.  
†32 – They will be set free from sin – eternal life.  
†33 – They are not on the same plane as Jesus.  
When he says they will be free, they argue that they have never been slaves.  
†34 – If you sin, you are a slave to sin.  
†35-36 – If the Son sets you free, you are free!

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**I Am the Light of the World – 8:12-30**

†37 – They want to kill him because they don't believe his word.  
†38 – Jesus speaks of what he knows from His Father. They, however, listen to their father.  
Who is he? See. V. 44

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**The Devil is Their Father – 8:39-47**

†39 – If they were Abraham's children, they would believe as he did.  
†40 – They obviously do not believe God, for they seek to kill the one who speaks God's truth.  
†41 – Instead they are doing what their real father did.  
†42 – If God was their father, they would believe him.

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**The Devil is Their Father – 8:39-47**

†44 – Their father is the devil! He is a liar. When he speaks, he lies, for that is his character.

†45 – But Jesus tells the truth.

†46-47 – If they were of God, they would know he speaks the truth. But they do not hear his word because they are not of God.

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**I Am – 8:48-59**

†48 – The Jewish leaders insult Jesus by calling him a Samaritan and that he has a demon.

†49 – But Jesus honors his Father, and they, by their unbelief, dishonor him.

†50 – Jesus does not seek his own glory.

†51 – Jesus offers eternal life to all who follow him.

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**I Am – 8:48-59**

†52 – Again, the Jews are on a different plane. Jesus is talking about eternal death, they are talking about physical death.

†53 – In their mind, Jesus is claiming to be greater than Abraham, who died.

†54 – This is not about Jesus, but about God.

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**I Am – 8:48-59**

†55 – Because they reject Jesus they don't know God.

†56 – Abraham, who lived 2000 years before, actually saw Jesus.

†57 – They don't see the Son of God, they see a man.

†58 – "I Am" – God's name – "Yahweh".

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**Jesus Heals a Blind Man – 9:1-41**

†1 – "As he passed by" – Right outside the temple.

† It was believed that suffering or some defect like blindness was due to sin.

†2 – The disciples did not look at the man to help him, but to pose a theological question: Why was the man blind? Was it his sin or his parents?

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**Jesus Heals a Blind Man – 9:1-41**

†3 – Not because of sin, but an opportunity to show Jesus was sent by God.

†4 – The time for Jesus to do the work God sent him to do was now, while it was day.

†5 - Jesus is the light that shines in the darkness of day.

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†6 – Jesus makes mud with his saliva. This act of itself is a violation of Sabbath laws.  
 †Why the saliva? (See also Mark 7:33) It is linked to his identity as the first-born Son of God.  
 †Saliva was believed to have healing properties, especially that of a first-born.  
 †When Jesus uses saliva, he is testifying that he is the first-born Son of God.

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†7 – The pool of Siloam was created by King Hezekiah. The name means “sent”. The man washed and came back seeing. An act of faith.  
 †8 – The first instance in all of Scripture that a blind man was given sight. Is. 35:5  
 †Like the man by the pool (ch. 5) this man did not ask to be healed, he did not know Jesus and it was on the Sabbath.

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**Jesus Heals a Blind Man – 9:1-41**

†8-9 – The reaction: the people wondered if this was the same man who begged at the temple.  
 †10-12 – “Who did it?” He only knew that a man named Jesus did it.  
 †14 – This was done on the Sabbath Day.  
 †15 – The formerly blind man told the Jewish leaders exactly what happened.

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**Jesus Heals a Blind Man – 9:1-41**

†16 – The Pharisees had two reactions:  
†1) Jesus could not be from God because he doesn't keep the Sabbath.  
†2) How could a sinner do things that only God could do?  
†17 – They ask the man what he knew about Jesus. He said he is a prophet – someone sent by God.

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†18 – The dilemma of the Jews:  
†A blind man can see by some sort of miracle.  
†But a man who desecrates the Sabbath could not have been sent by God.  
†But only a man sent by God could do this.  
†Maybe he wasn't blind in the first place.

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**Jesus Heals a Blind Man – 9:1-41**

†20-21 – The parents say that it was their son born blind, but he should speak for himself.  
†22 – The Jews had warned anyone who confesses Jesus as Messiah would be excommunicated.  
†24 – They want the blind man to discredit Jesus because after all, he was a sinner.

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